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Wilmington High School Students of the Month for April

Wilmington High School honors its April Students of the Month: Anna Julia Ferreira, Kevin Pruslin, Vijay Cudia, Sophia Tassinari, Eduarda Jakob, Charlotte Warren, Caroline Donovan, Lily O'Malley, and Ajay Gupta. All students were nominated teachers for exemplifying the mindsets of the WHS Vision of the Graduate: Learner, Communicator, Contributor, Collaborator, and Leader. (Courtesy photo)

Wildwood MSBA options narrowed down

By LIZZY HILL
News Correspondent

WILMINGTON — Superintendent Dr. Glenn Brand delivered an update to the School Committee during their meeting on Wednesday, May 8 about the Wildwood School project with the Massachusetts School Building Authority.

Brand opened by explaining that the project was in the first of two final phases in his mind. He announced that the Wildwood School Building Committee (WSBC) had narrowed down the number of proposed options for the school into five. This next phase involves further narrowing the short list from now until August, when they need to have one preferred choice selected.

They discussed a plan to capture and engage feedback over the summer including a public forum.

After Sept. 1, the WSBC and Wildwood project would surround seeking community support at Town Meeting. The estimated time to be finished with this phase was Spring 2025, which would coincide with the 2025 annual Town Meeting.

Brand said that he recognized this was one of many projects competing for the community's attention. In that regard, they saw the need to gear up a media campaign for this project through a video approach. He played the video created which was also shown during Town Meeting on May 4.

He then described the final five options for the new school. The first is to renovate the Wildwood, and the second is to create a new Wildwood School building. These two would keep only kindergarten and pre-kindergarten at the school rather than adding in more grades.

The third option is consolidating the Wildwood and the Woburn Street for pre-kindergarten through grade three with a new building at the Woburn Street site. The fourth option would be a renovation/addition at the North Intermediate School site, and the fifth was a new building at the North site. Both of these would consolidate pre-kindergarten through grade five into one building.

Brand also mentioned that for the most part, all schools can continue to operate through construction in all options except for renovating and adding to the North. He suggested that more due diligence would be done in the coming weeks and months in terms of cost, size, and meeting educational needs.

Committee member Dr. Mike Mercaldi commented that he enjoyed the video and appreciated it being shown to the community. He mentioned that the length of Town Meeting makes it difficult for people with school-aged children, who would be most affected by the new school, to attend and support.

He said that turnout to vote in support of the new Wildwood school next year may be a challenge and suggested that perhaps the vote could be brought up at a special Town Meeting instead of the annual Town Meeting.

Brand replied that the spring 2025 date was more of a placeholder for the time period in which the vote may need to take place. He said there had been some discussion with the WSBC in this regard, and there was a possibility that the vote could be shift-

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Select Board executes agreement with new town manager

By LIZZY HILL
News Correspondent

WILMINGTON — On Monday, May 13, the Wilmington Select Board took a vote on the execution of the agreement reached between the town and R. Eric Slagle, finally completing the last step to hiring a new town manager to replace retiree Jeffrey Hull.

Hull announced his intention to retire as town manager on June 22 of 2023, giving the Select Board four months' notice to pursue a replacement. His latest contract with the board had been signed on Jan. 24, 2022 and set to continue until Sept. 30, 2024.

Hull's time in Wilmington extended 36 years, serving as assistant town manager for 25 years and town manager for 11 years. His last day was on Oct. 31, 2023.

The board began searching for a temporary town manager and a permanent town manager around that time. They asked Assistant Town Manager Susan Inman if she was interested in serving as temporary town manager but later invited all town department heads to notify them of their interest in serving. Former Building Inspector George Hooper was the first to be selected but stepped down, and Veterans Director Lou Cimaglia stepped up in his place.

They signed an agreement on Nov. 30, 2023 with Cimaglia, who began serving as temporary town manager soon after that.

The permanent town manager screening committee began their search for candidates in December with the help of a consultancy. After accepting and screening all received applications, the com-

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Bendel to serve as new Select Board chair

By LIZZY HILL
News Correspondent

WILMINGTON — The Select Board appointed a new chair, recognized a state champion hockey team, and approved licenses and appointments during their meeting on Monday May 13.

Board Member Kevin Caira nominated Greg Bendel as chairman, thanking Gary DePalma for his time serving as the chair. Bendel accepted this nomination. Once the board voted in favor, Bendel took over and led the rest of the meeting, as the chair typically does.

Bendel also thanked DePalma for his service and said that he looked forward to a productive and positive year.

He then led into time recognizing the Wilmington Youth Hockey Bantam 1 team for their state championship win. Bendel said that they wanted to acknowledge this team for their exciting win just a few weeks prior, along with a great playoff series where they only let up three goals. He recognized the team for their outstanding achievement along with their families and coaches.

DePalma congratulated the team, saying that they "lit the place up." Caira said that they made Wilmington proud through their dedication, support, and effort. Lilia Maselli said she was sure that they won as a team. Frank West said he hoped to see the team again next year.

Temporary Town manager Lou Cimaglia added that they looked sharp in their uniforms.

"I'm sure you represented Wilmington like the champions that you are," he said.

Bendel also thanked and recognized the captains in particular before he presented certificates

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School Committee discusses field trips, pay rates, retreat

By LIZZY HILL
News Correspondent

WILMINGTON — The School Committee welcomed new committee member Nicholas Golden to their meeting on Wednesday, May 8, during which they received performances, approved field trips and pay rates, and discussed upcoming retreat plans.

Three middle school students performed the national anthem for the committee in lieu of the pledge of allegiance. Middle school a cappella group WilmingTones later performed "The Chain" by Ingrid Michaelson.

Middle school representatives Summer Aliperta and Elizabeth Gray shared some recent activities for students including English/Language Arts MCAS, a band end of year performance, and World Culture Club studying Greek culture.

They also looked ahead to Science and Technology MCAS, the performing arts Great East music festival and Six Flags trip, field trips to the Auschwitz exhibit in Boston and walking tour of the North End, orchestra and chorus performances, and a backyard dance for 8th graders.

The committee approved a field trip to Greece through EF proposed by high school teachers Taejasvi Narayan and Kyra McDermott. Narayan started by mentioning that students learn about Greece starting in middle school history class and also through their math, english, and science classes at the high school.

McDermott gave the overview of the trip where students would land in Athens, stop at Argolida, Olympia, and Delphi, and return to Athens to fly home. The date window they had chosen was from

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Wilmington Library News:

Game On board game group on Tuesday, May 21

▲ The next Game On board group session will take place on Tuesday, May 21 at 6 p.m. Play a number of board games under the guidance of gaming enthusiast Scot Crispin! All are welcome. Ages 12+ (Courtesy photo)

Adult Programs

Bookends Book Group
Monday, May 20, 10 a.m.
This book group discusses contemporary books, both fiction and non-fiction, led by Library Associate Rebecca Lowe. Copies of the book are available at the library. May's featured book is Wandering Souls by Cecile Pin.

Needleworkers at Night
Monday, May 20, 6 p.m.
These nighttime sessions are perfect for anyone who does any kind of needle craft but can't make it to Needleworkers during the day! Drop-in. This group meets every Monday in the cozy seating area of the first floor of the library.

Hybrid DEI Book Group
Monday, May 20, 6:30 p.m.
This group usually meets on the 4th Monday of the month. We read the book three chapters at a time to allow us to delve deeper into what we're reading. The current featured title is Broke in America by Joanne Samuel Goldblum. May 20th's meeting will discuss chapters 12 through 15 (58 pages). This program can be attended in person or virtually via Zoom.

Drop-in Tech Help
Tuesday, May 21, 2 p..m
Wednesday, May 22, 2 p.m.
Saturday, May 25, 2 p.m.
Have a tech question that's been bugging you? Stop by Drop-in Tech Help.

Game On!
Tuesday, May 21, 6 p.m.
Play a number of board games under the guidance of gaming enthusiast Scot Crispin. All are welcome. Ages 12+

Public Health Museum Tour
Thursday, May 23, 6 p.m.
Come explore the Public Health Museum on the grounds of the Tewksbury State Hospital in this special guided tour. The Museum preserves records and artifacts from our nation's public health history while educating the public about the achievements and contributions of public health.

Needleworkers
Friday, May 24, 10 a.m.
This is a social group for those who do any kind of needle craft. Bring your knitting, crocheting, quilting, etc. and enjoy conversation and camaraderie. Drop-in.

Youth Programs

Wilmington Community Playgroup
Monday, May 20, 10 a.m.
The Community Teamwork Family Resource Network is here weekly! Join CTI for a community playgroup where we'll work on Early Literacy skills and much, much more! Ask CTI about any resources they can help provide for you and your family. The first playgroup of every month will focus on infants and toddlers. Ages 0-6, siblings welcome

STEAM Team
Monday, May 20, 6 p.m.
Learn and have fun at the same time in this engaging STEAM program! Grades K-5

Preschool Storytime
Tuesday, May 21, 10 a.m.
Join us at our Preschool Storytime! This program includes books, rhymes, music and movement. Ages 3-6

Time for Twos
Wednesday, May 22, 10 a.m.
Join us at our Time for Twos! This program includes books, rhymes, music and movement. Age 2

Bilingual Story Hour
Wednesday, May 22, 3 p.m.
The Community Teamwork Family Resource Network is here weekly! Practice using your home language with us! Our staff will be here with an interpreter speaking Haitian Creole. At our playgroup we will work on Early Literacy skills and more! Ask CTI about any resources they can help provide for you and your family. Ages 0-6 and their caregivers

Family Movie Night: Inside Out
Wednesday, May 22, 5 p.m.
In anticipation of the premiere of Inside Out 2 and to raise awareness for Mental Health Awareness Month, come wear your pjs and bring something comfy to sit on for this special library event! Watch Inside Out and enjoy delicious popcorn! All ages

Girls Who Code
Wednesday, May 22, 6 p.m.
Girls Who Code is an organization that aims to close the gender gap in STEM fields by teaching girls to code. Over the twelve weeks you'll learn about coding, women in the STEM fields, and work together to code your own project. Grades 3-5

Baby Time
Thursday, May 23, 10 a.m.
Join us at our Baby Time! This program includes books, rhymes, music and movement. Ages 0-23 months

Read to Stormy
Thursday, May 23, 4 p.m.
Practice your reading skills with Therapy Dog, Stormy! Sign up for one 15 minute session per family. Grades K-6

Additional Information

Book Store Next Door
The Book Store Next Door is open on Wednesdays and Saturdays from 10am to 4pm. Shop discount books! Paperbacks for $1 and hardcovers for $2. The Book Store is staffed by volunteers from the Friends of the Library and all proceeds help support library programs.

Museum Passes
The library has discounted passes to your favorite Massachusetts museums, attractions, and state parks. Find the full list on our website!

WML In-Person Programming
Registration is required for most in-person programs. Please check our website on the day of the program to confirm location. Masks are no longer required for vaccinated patrons while visiting the library.

WML Virtual Programming
The library continues to offer a variety of virtual events. Please note that registration is required in order to receive the Zoom link. Go to *wilmlibrary.org* to register or call 978-658-2967.

News and notes from WCTV

Hello friends and neighbors! Here's what's going on at WCTV!

NEW PROGRAMMING JUST FOR YOU!

Lost in Translation (LIT) Podcast, Episode 37 — Ali Aboukal and Michael Lawler
Wilmington high athletes and friends since middle school, Michael Lawler and Ali Aboukal join the LIT podcast to talk about nearing the end of their high school journeys on and off the field. The duo talked about their shared love of sports, camaraderie on the football and lacrosse fields, and what it's like to survive in a small town. They also talked about their differing paths and obstacles they faced. Aboukal, who does the grunt work in the trenches in football and lacrosse, was raised as a brown kid in a white town by his older siblings. Lawler was a star athlete in football and basketball, and a bonafide DI recruit in lacrosse before a horrific series of injuries his junior year nearly ended his career and sent him into a very dark place. They both talked about finishing strong, looking back, and wanting to savor every last moment. This one is definitely a tear jerker!

Through Fire and Oak Podcast Episode 2 — Living the Dream One Failure at a Time
In this episode of Through Fire and Oak, join hosts Erica and Sean as they talk about their dreams, nightmares, working together both in and out of the restaurant, and always persevering through countless mistakes and mishaps.

*These programs can be viewed on WCTV channels or on WCTV's Youtube channel: WCTV Wilmington. (Please note, the above podcasts contain video as well as audio).

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by Todd Brisbois

Employers should certify employees before claiming the Work Opportunity Tax Credit

Employers who hire people from certain groups can reduce the tax they owe when they claim the Work Opportunity Tax Credit on their federal tax return. This credit encourages employers to hire workers certified as members of any of ten groups facing barriers to employment.

Pre-screening and certification requirement: To claim the credit, an employer must first get certification that an individual is a member of one of the specified groups. They do so by submitting IRS Form 8850, Pre-screening Notice and Certification Request for the Work Opportunity Credit, to their state workforce agency within 28 days after the eligible worker begins work. Employers should not submit this form to the IRS. They should contact their state workforce agency with any questions about the processing of Form 8850.

Figuring and claiming the credit: Eligible employers claim the Work Opportunity Tax Credit on their federal income tax return. It is generally based on wages paid to eligible workers during the first year of employment. After the employer receives Form 8850 certification, they figure the credit on Form 5884, Work Opportunity Credit, and then claim the credit on Form 3800, General Business Credit.

Special rule for tax-exempt organizations: A special rule allows tax-exempt organizations to claim the credit only for hiring qualified veterans who began work for the organization before 2026.

Credit limitations: For a taxable business, the credit value is limited to the business' income tax liability.

For qualified tax-exempt organizations, the credit is limited to the amount of employer Social Security tax owed on wages paid to qualifying employees.

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Committee excited for Wildwood project

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ed to the fall.

Director of Administration and Finance Paul Ruggiero said that there is a window involved. He also mentioned that the new high school was approved via a special Town Meeting.

Brand also said that he understood Mercaldi's point, and they had been lucky to have CARES volunteers provide childcare during Town Meeting.

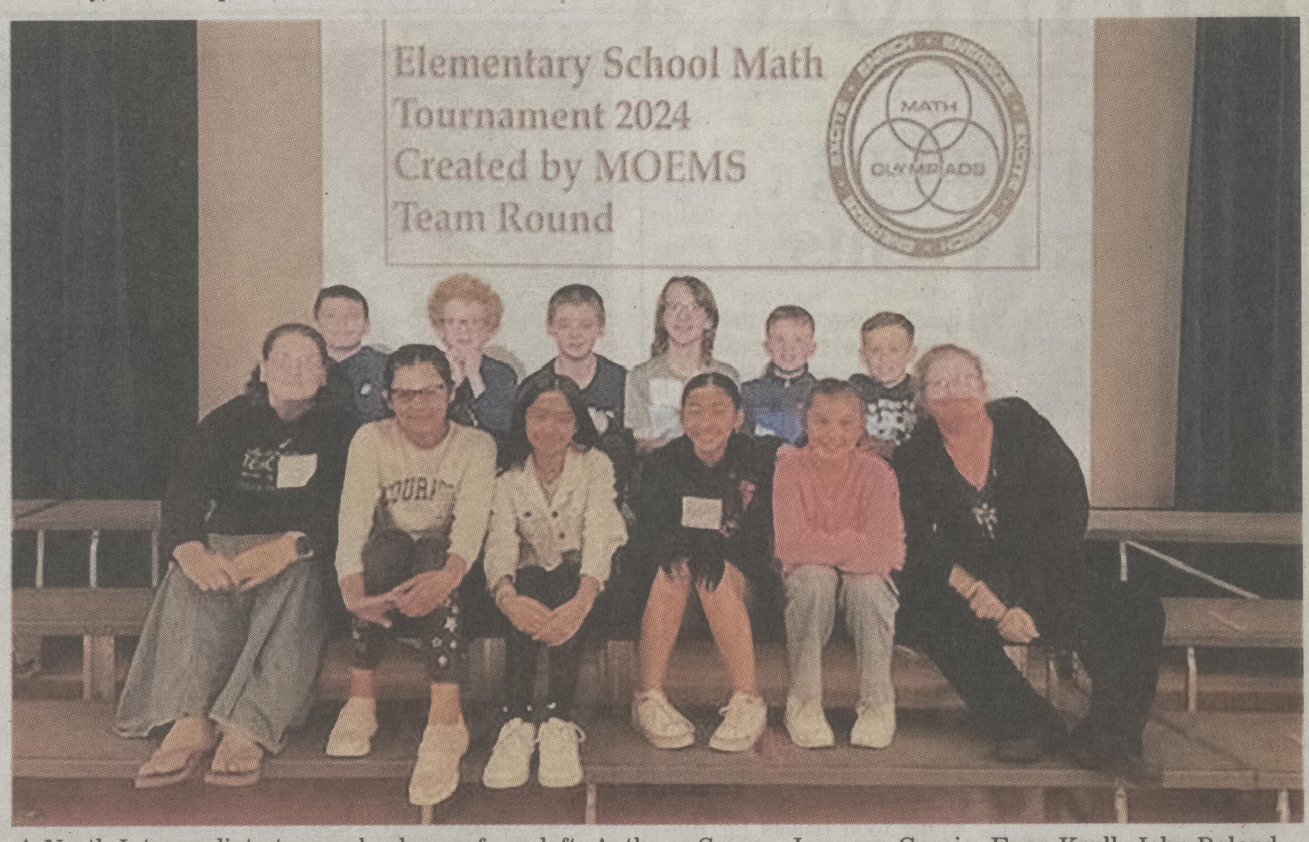
Dr. Jenn Bryson simply commented that she was excited for the project to move forward.

Chair David Ragsdale agreed with Mercaldi's sentiments. He also recalled there had been people still waiting to be let into the special Town Meeting they held to approve the Wildwood feasibility study when the meeting had concluded.

Stephen Turner added that the meeting Ragsdale referenced was the most attended Town Meeting he'd been to, and that these types of votes generally do bring broad support.

Ragsdale also explained that the options still in play were partly due to the MSBA requirement for one renovation or addition option, one renovation only option, and one new construction option be moved forward into consideration.

◀ Third place team from the West Intermediate School, from left: Caitlin Leonard, Abigail Reynolds, Connor Moseley, Ethan Cipolle, Nikhil Abhishek, and teacher Renee Deschene. (Courtesy photo)



▲ North Intermediate teams: back row, from left: Anthony Cooper, Jameson Garcia, Evan Krull, John Boland, Sam Phillips, and Brady Saucier; front row, from left: teacher Jill Reynolds, Tanisha Manral, Lu Yang, Alaina Wang, Kathryn Picariello, and teacher Sharon Tener. (Courtesy photo)

Middlesex Math Madness Tournament

BURLINGTON — On Saturday, May 11, 18 teams from Middlesex County competed in the Middlesex Math Madness Tournament, held at the Memorial Elementary School in Burlington.

The Middlesex Math Madness Tournament is an opportunity for students to grow mathematically with clever, engaging, and challenging problems that promote an exciting and rewarding experience for students and teachers alike.

Wilmington was well-represented with three teams: two from the North Intermediate School and one from the West Intermediate School. Students who were invited to participate in this tournament are members of the school's Math Olympiad Team. The North Math Olympiad Team is run by 4th grade teachers Jill Reynolds and Sharon Tener. The West Math Olympiad Team is run by 4th grade teacher Renee Deschene, and Math Intervention Tutor Kerin Osgood.

The North Intermediate Teams were represented by: John Boland, Anthony Cooper, Jameson Garcia, Evan Krull, Tanisha Manral, Sam Phillips, Kathryn Picariello, Brady Saucier, Alaina Wang, and Lu Yang.

The West Intermediate Team was represented by: Nikhil Abhishek, Ethan Cipolle, Caitlin Leonard, Connor Moseley, and Abigail Reynolds.

All three teams did very well. The team from the West came in third place overall, and the teams from the North came in sixth and seventh.

Michelle LeVesque, K-5 STEM Coordinator, shared that "opportunities like these are so important for our students. We are so grateful to the teachers who dedicate their time to the Math Olympiad program, and the families who are committed to further student learning beyond the hours of the school day. The Middlesex Math Madness was a great experience for everyone!"

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TOWN OF WILMINGTON

INVITATION FOR BIDS

Sealed bids for furnishing the following item: REMOVAL AND REPLACEMENT OF BACKWASH PUMP(S) AT SARGENT WATER TREATMENT PLANT will be received at the Office of the Town Manager, Wilmington Town Hall, 121 Glen Road, Wilmington, MA 01887 until the time specified below at which time the bids will be publicly opened and read.

Bid Specifications may be obtained at the Town's website: https://www.wilmingtonma.gov/purchasing-department

Bids will be opened in the Office of the Town Manager on **June 12, 2024 at 10:00 a.m.** Each Bid must be accompanied by a bid security consisting of a BID BOND, CASH, or, CERTIFIED CHECK issued by a responsible bank or trust company in the amount of 5% of the bid price.

A performance bond in an amount equal to 100 percent of the total amount of the contract price with a surety company qualified to do business in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts will be required for the faithful performance of the contract, as well as a labor and materials bond in an amount equal to 100 percent of the total contract price.

All bids for this project are subject to applicable public bidding laws of Massachusetts, including, but not limited to G.L. c.30, §39M.

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Selection of the contractor will be based upon bidder qualifications, including evidence of past performance in similar projects, and bid price. The contract will be awarded to the bidder deemed by the awarding authority to be the lowest responsible and eligible bidder.

The bidder agrees that its bid shall be good and may not be withdrawn for a period of 30 days, Saturdays, Sundays and legal holidays excluded, after the opening of the bids.

The Town reserves the right to waive any informalities, to accept or reject, in whole or in part any or all bids, or take whatever other action may be deemed to be in the best interest of the Town.

The Town of Wilmington
By: Lou Cimaglia,
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The Planning Board will hold a Public Hearing on June 4, 2024 at 8:10 p.m. in the Town Hall Auditorium, 121 Glen Road, Wilmington, MA for a Parking Relief Special Permit #24-01, submitted on May 10, 2024. The application is for relief from the parking setback requirement of 10 feet between parking spaces and the side lot line. Said property is located at 38 Upton Drive and shown on Assessor's Map R1 Parcel 18.

A copy of the plan is on file at the Planning & Conservation Department and may be inspected during the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Any person interested, or wishing to be heard on the proposed plan, should appear at the time and place designated.

Terence Boland, Chair
Wilmington Planning Board

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TOWN OF WILMINGTON
PLANNING BOARD

In accordance with provisions of M.G.L. Chapter 41, Section 81-F and 81-G, the Planning Board will hold a public hearing on Tuesday, June 4, 2024 at 8:20 p.m. in the Town Hall Auditorium, 121 Glen Road, Wilmington, MA on the 81G Application #24-01 submitted by S & K Associates, LLC, 26 Highland Circle, Needham MA 02494, seeking to provide roadway improvements within Commonwealth Avenue for construction of a single family home at 11 Commonwealth Avenue, Map 40 Parcel 168A as shown on the plan entitled: "Commonwealth Avenue in Wilmington, Massachusetts" dated: November 10, 2021, last revised May 11, 2022, prepared by Professional Engineer: Douglas E. Lees, Land Engineering & Environmental Services, Inc., 130 Middlesex Road, Tyngsboro, MA 01879.

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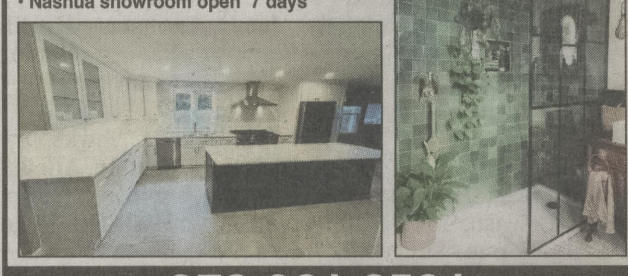
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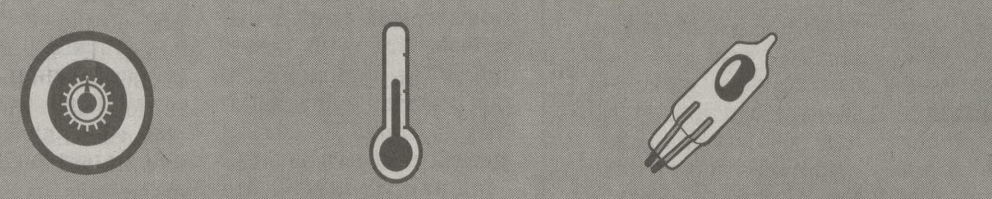
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OPINION

Upcoming local events

May 15, Dine Out at Mac's Dairy Farm to benefit the Friends of the Library. Mention the Friends all day.

May 15, Taste of the Town, Hilton Garden Inn, 5 - 8 p.m., tickets at the door, All proceeds will go toward scholarships for Tewksbury and Wilmington students.

May 15, Lion's Club Meat Bingo, Tj Callahan's. 6 p.m. Help raise funds to support this year's Beep Ball tournament.

May 18, Tewksbury Garden Club Plant Sale, 9 a.m. - 2 p.m., on the grounds of the Tewksbury Public Library & Friends of the Library Bake Sale

May 18, Tewksbury/Billerica Rabies clinic, Tewksbury Senior Center, 175 Chandler St., Tewksbury. Cats in carriers. Dogs on 6 ft leash. No retractable leashes. Proof of prior vaccine. Free microchipping. 1 and 3 year vaccine $25 administered by Shawsheen Animal Hospital. For info call 978-215-9639.

May 18, Tewksbury United Methodist Church Yard Sale, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m, 2335 Main St. Outdoor and indoor spaces. Find books, jewelry, crafts, small electronics, and other household goods. No large furniture, electronics or appliances please. $20 per table. Or call 978-658-9551 or e-mail *tewksumcoffice@gmail.com*.

May 18, TMHS Class of 2027 Car Wash, Town Hall, 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. Suggested $5 donation.

May 21, Learn about Breast Cancer screening, diagnosis, treatment, and resources in the Merrimack Valley. Join the Ellie Fund and Representative Vanna Howard from 12 - 1 p.m at the Lowell Community Health Center, 161 Jackson St., Lowell. Refreshments will be served.

May 22, Learn about the Lions Club, TJ Callahan's, 7 p.m.

May 22, Food Truck Festival at Tewksbury Memorial High School, sponsored by the Wynn School PAC. 5 - 8 p.m. stop by the high school and enjoy many food trucks for dinner!

May 23, Strongwater Farm Gala honoring Jim and Pat Carter. Lanam Club in Andover, 4 - 8 p.m. This year, the Gala will feature a salute to service and will honor local philanthropists Jim and Pat Carter as the recipients of the 2024 Make a Difference Award for their significant contributions to our country and community. Tickets and info at *jbryan@strongwaterfarm.org*.

May 27, Memorial Day Parade, Tewksbury, 11 a.m., Memorial Service 10 a.m.

June 2, Tewksbury Pride Picnic, 11 a.m. - 2 p.m., music from Tee and the Gents and BBQ from Code 1 BBQ, town common

June 7, Tewksbury Health Fair, Tewksbury Senior Center, 2 - 5 p.m.

June 8, 2024, Tewksbury Historical Society Annual Meeting, 1 p.m. at Tewksbury Town Hall, 1009 Main St.

June 14, Kick Off to Summer Event at Livingston Street 1 - 3 p.m. sponsored by the Tewksbury Police Department.

Senator Finegold hosts Tewksbury senior seminar

TEWKSBURY — State Senator Barry R. Finegold (D-Andover) hosted a Senior Seminar at the Tewksbury Senior Center alongside representatives from the Attorney General's office and the Massachusetts Emergency Management Agency.

"I appreciated this opportunity to discuss issues of particular concern to seniors alongside subject matter experts from the Attorney General and MEMA offices," said Sen. Finegold. "These valued community members have contributed so much to our towns, and it was an honor to meet with them today."

During the event, Sen. Finegold provided details on what the legislature is working on as it pertains to seniors, discussed state and local programs for seniors, and shared office contact information.

AGO representatives Melissa Armstrong, Supervising Consumer Specialist in our Consumer Advocacy & Response Division, and Robert Fernandez, Senior Policy Coordinator, spoke on scam prevention, detailing what scams are commonly reported to the Attorney General's Office and provided tips on how to avoid them.

Sara Porter, Public Information Program Supervisor with MEMA, discussed emergency preparedness and how to access reliable information in a crisis.

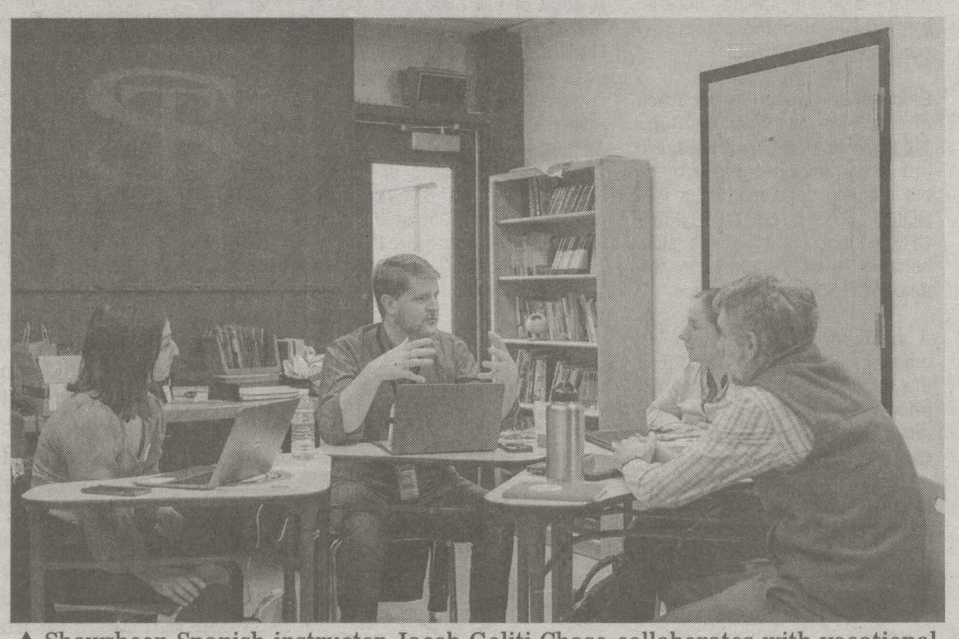
Sen. Finegold also presented Janice Conole, Director of Tewksbury's Council on Aging, a Senate citation for her leadership and commitment to the center.

The next Senior Seminar will take place at the Wilmington Senior Center on May 17 at 2 p.m.

State Senator Barry Finegold represents Andover, Amesbury, Haverhill, Merrimac, North Andover, Tewksbury, and Wilmington. Senator Finegold chairs the Joint Committee on Economic Development and Emerging Technologies.

▲ World Language instructors pose for a photo at Shawsheen Tech during a professional development session led by Prof. Catherine Ritz from Boston University. Back Row (l-r): Elizabeth Cygan (Pathfinder), Kate Sanders and Marcio Sabo (Keefe), Amy St. Arnaud (Nashoba), Prof. Catherine Ritz (Boston University), and Aaron Mendelsohn (Smith). Front Row (l-r): Jacob Goliti-Chase and Nicole Forgione (Essex). Not pictured: Andy McDonie (DESE: OLA) and Dr. Vilma Bibeau (MaFLA President).

Shawsheen and Nashoba lead world language curriculum initiative in vocational schools



▲ Shawsheen Spanish instructor Jacob Goliti-Chase collaborates with vocational world language instructors during a professional development session for the FC 189 World Language Grant. (Courtesy photos)

BILLERICA — Jacob Goliti-Chase, a Spanish teacher at Shawsheen Valley Technical High School, and Amy St. Arnaud, a Spanish teacher at Nashoba Valley Technical High School, are spearheading an effort to revamp world language education in Massachusetts vocational schools.

With the support of the FC 189 grant from the Massachusetts Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE), they have brought together a coalition of six vocational school districts to enhance world language programs and promote collaboration among teachers.

The FC 189 grant, aimed at supporting World Language (WL), Heritage Language (HL), Dual Language (DL), and English Language Learner (ELL) programs, has awarded Nashoba Valley Technical High School, the lead grantee, $48,500 as part of a $500,000 state-wide initiative.

This is the first year the grant specifically targets vocational-technical schools, and with nearly 10% of the funding allocation provided to this initiative, indicates the state's commitment to it's focus.

In total, six schools are collaborating to share resources, align curriculum with the 2021 World Languages Framework, and address the shortage of world language teachers in vocational settings. The schools involved are Nashoba Tech (Westford), Shawsheen Valley Technical High School (Billerica), Essex North Shore Agricultural & Technical School (Danvers), Keefe Regional Technical School (Framingham), Pathfinder Regional Vocational Technical High School (Palmer), and Smith Vocational and Agricultural High School (Northampton).

Vocational schools have a unique structure, offering students both a traditional high school diploma and a diploma in their chosen career and technical education (CTE) field. This dual focus often limits elective courses, including world languages, leading to smaller language departments and reduced collaboration among language teachers.

This initiative seeks to address these challenges by creating a network that facilitates professional development and collaboration among world language educators in similar vocational-technical settings.

The cohort has been meeting regularly since the start of the year and is already seeing promising outcomes. A key milestone was the March 1 training session, featuring Leslie Grahn, a national expert on proficiency-based instruction, and Catherine Ritz from Boston University. During this session, participants explored effective strategies for aligning vocational world language instruction with national standards, including the American Council on the Teaching of Foreign Languages' (ACTFL) core practices.

Attendees also engaged in exercises to develop immersive, culturally relevant learning environments for their students.

The early success of this four-month-old initiative has drawn praise from DESE. Andrew McDonie, DESE's World Language Support Specialist remarked, "This collaborative effort has the potential to transform world language instruction in vocational schools, offering students a brighter future through innovative and culturally relevant education."

Shawsheen's Academic Director, Danica Johnston, concurs with McDonie's commendation, underscoring the beneficial influence this initiative has had on Shawsheen. She said, "This grant has allowed Jacob to collaborate with other world language teachers from vocational schools across Massachusetts, resulting in new practices and activities that actively engage our students. This is just the start of further developing Shawsheen's world language program."

Encouraged by its initial success, Amy St. Arnaud and Jacob Goliti-Chase intend to reapply for additional grant funding to extend the program into FY25. Their goal for the next phase includes formalizing a knowledge-sharing system and expanding the collaborative network to include more vocational school districts.

This initiative is establishing a new benchmark for world language education in Massachusetts vocational schools, highlighting the power of collaboration and the dedication of committed educators.

Book Stew Review

'Live to See the Day: Coming of Age in American Poverty' by Nikhil Goyal

By EILEEN MACDOUGALL

This book, overflowing with the pain of hard childhoods and difficult parenting through poverty and poor decisions, is a devastating sociological study of three boys of Kensington, a Philadelphia neighborhood immersed in failure.

Ryan, Giancarlos, and Emmanuel all grow up with mothers who strive to defeat the prevailing culture of drugs and gun violence, with little assistance from few partners of substance. The boys recognize that "without a high school diploma, you're a bum, a nothing," but their schools seem useless and only a very rare teacher or mentor can penetrate their students' defenses and chaotic home lives.

Miraculously, reform comes in the guise of an exceptional school, El Centro De Estudiantes, which is staffed by knowledgeable, compassionate, and motivated teachers and administrators. But it's a long trip, filled with the roadblocks of homelessness, police harassment, and lack of personal responsibility, until the cycle is broken.

A most rewarding, inspirational examination of how too many innocent children turn into thrown away students.

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OBITUARIES

Margaret (Tagliamonte) Ardito

Found solace, creativity in art of sewing

Margaret (Tagliamonte) Ardito, 71, a cherished member of the Woburn community for most of her life before gracefully transitioning to Tewksbury in her later years, passed away peacefully at her home, with her family by her side, on Tuesday, May 7, 2024.

Margaret was born in Somerville, the daughter of the late Sylvio and Mary (Cota) Tagliamonte. She was educated in the Woburn School System and earned her bachelor's degree from Baypath College.

She was employed as a reading interventionist for the Woburn Public School System and her dedication to education was unwavering. She understood the transformative power of literacy and worked tirelessly to ignite a love for reading in the hearts of her students. Her passion for learning was infectious, and her impact on young minds reverberates through the countless lives she touched.

An artisan with a needle and thread, Margaret found solace and creativity in the art of sewing. Whether crafting intricate embroidery or fashioning delicate garments, she poured her heart and soul into every stitch, creating tangible expressions of her love and dedication.

Her garden, a vibrant tapestry of colors and scents, was a reflection of her nurturing spirit, where she cultivated beauty and serenity with every bloom.

Central to Margaret's world were her two beloved children, Michael and Erika. Her dream of motherhood realized, she embraced her role with unwavering devotion, instilling in them the values of kindness, compassion, and perseverance. Their achievements were her proudest moments, and her love for them knew no bounds.

Margaret's warm and welcoming nature endeared her to all who crossed her path. She possessed an innate ability to make others feel valued and understood. Yet, beneath her gentle exterior lay a steely resolve and a knack for leadership, guiding others with wisdom and grace.

One of Margaret's greatest sources of joy was her love for the magic of Disney and her family's frequent trips to Disney World. She reveled in the opportunity to share the enchanting world of fairy tales and fantasy with her children, finding solace and inspiration in its timeless charm.

Though she bid farewell to her lifelong home in Woburn, Margaret's move to Tewksbury was a testament to her unwavering commitment to family. Closer to her daughter, she embraced this new chapter with courage and grace, finding comfort in the love and support of her loved ones.

Margaret was the wife of the late Francesco Ardito who passed away in 2015 and the sister of the late Ralph Tagliamonte.

She is survived by her two adoring children, Michael Ardito of Waltham and Erika Ardito of Tewksbury, Erika's boyfriend, who was like a son-in-law, James Tavares of Dracut, a nephew Paul and his wife Julie Tagliamonte and two great nephews Christian and Nathan Tagliamonte.

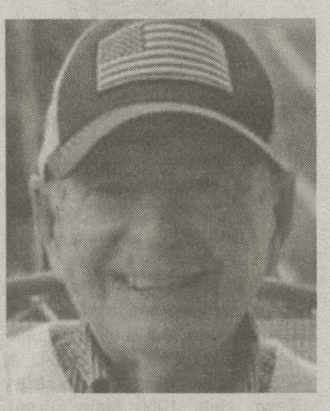
At her request, all services were private and at the convenience of her family.

Contributions in her memory may be made to the St. Jude's Children's Research Hospital at *www.stjude.org*.

To view her memorial slideshow, or to leave a condolence to her family, please visit *www.sullivanfuneralhome.net*.

Fred D. Cain, Sr.

Enlisted in the United States Army



Fred D. Cain Sr., age 92, of Wilmington, and Wolfeboro, NH, passed away peacefully at home on May 7, 2024.

Fred was born on Aug. 28, 1931, in Lowell; he was the dear son of the late Fred F. and Anna T. (Walsh) Cain. Fred was raised and educated in Wilmington and was a graduate of Wilmington High School with the Class of 1949.

Fred went on to attend Dean College before enlisting in the United States Army in July of 1951.

Fred proudly served during the Korean War earning the rank of Corporal and receiving the National Defense Service Medal. Fred was honorably discharged on July 23, 1954, and returned home to his family in Wilmington.

Fred married his "sweetheart" Maryann Curtin in May of 1954; together they settled in Wilmington, raised a beautiful family, enjoyed their home in Wolfeboro, and made many wonderful family memories throughout the years.

Fred had an adventurous spirit and was kind of a "daredevil" in his younger days. Fred enjoyed auto drag racing from 1948 and for many years to follow.

In August of 1950, he traveled 2,500 miles to the Bonneville Salt Flats in Utah to set a speed record of 100 horsepower 1932 Ford Roadster which he was able to get up to 127.11 miles per hour to set that record.

Fred was also a licensed single engine aircraft pilot, he loved to go boating, and speed around Lake Winnipesaukee and the Twin Mountains on his snowmobiles.

Fred played hard and worked hard; he joined the family car business, Fred F. Cain, Inc. Chrysler Plymouth Dealership in Wilmington in July of 1954 and served as President from 1959-1999.

Fred also served as the director and clerk of the MSADA (Mass. State Auto Dealers Association) for many years.

Fred was the longest standing member of the Wilmington Rotary Club which he joined in August of 1954. He volunteered countless hours helping the club and the community and he also sold the most raffle tickets by far for the Rotary Auction each year.

Fred also volunteered his time and talents with the Friendship Lodge of Masons in Wilmington for several years and always looked forward to their Monday night card games.

Fred will be fondly remembered as a great guy who helped so many people throughout his life. He had a keen sense of humor and was a great storyteller. Fred will forever live on in the hearts of those who loved him.

Fred was the beloved husband of the late Maryann (Curtin) Cain, devoted father of Kathleen A. Dawe and husband Greg of Estero, FL, Fred D. Cain, Jr. and wife Patricia of Wolfeboro, NH, Patricia C. Provost and late husband Carl of Windham, NH, Julie C. Kronenwett and husband Erich of Acton, and Stephen M. Cain and wife Karen of Wilmington.

Loving "Gramp" of Carolyn Hatem, Stephen Parsons, Jennifer Schnetzer, Fred D. Cain III, Matthew Johnson, Frederick Kronenwett, Sean Kronenwett, Patrick Kronenwett, Brittney Cain and Allison Cain, "Great-Gramp" of many loving great-grandchildren.

Dear son of the late Fred F. and Anna T. (Walsh) Cain, brother of Robert Cain, James Cain, Nancy Burke, George Cain, Catherine Burke, and the late Ethel Butters.

Brother-in-law of Christine Curtin and the late Bill Curtin. He is also survived by many nieces, nephews, and friends.

Family and friends gathered for Visitation at the Nichols Funeral Home, Inc., 187 Middlesex Ave., (Rt. 62), Wilmington on Monday, May 13 from 4 - 7 p.m. A Funeral Mass took place on Tuesday, May 14 at 10 a.m. in St. Thomas of Villanova Church, 126 Middlesex Ave., Wilmington. (Please go directly to church). Interment with Military Honors will follow in Wildwood Cemetery, Wilmington.

In lieu of flowers, donations in Fred's memory may be made to the American Cancer Society, 3 Speen St., Ste. 250, Framingham, MA 01701 or to Local Heroes, P.O. Box 536, Wilmington, MA 01887.

To leave a message of condolence for the family please visit our website at *www.nicholsfuneralhome.com*

Carol Anne (Gouveia) Hurley

Funeral services set for Friday morning

Carol Anne (Gouveia) Hurley, age 71, a long-time resident of Wilmington, passed away on May 10, 2024.

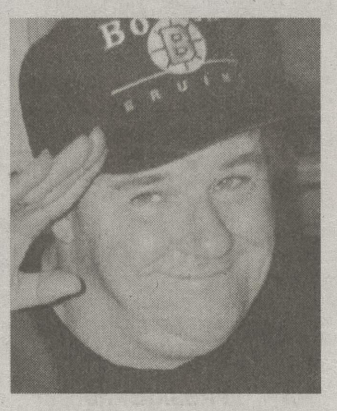
Carol was the beloved wife of Daniel J. Hurley, Jr., devoted mother of Troy Bowden and his wife Vanessa of Louisville, KY, and Cassandra L Hurley and her husband Brett Anderson of Tyngsboro, stepmother of Dawn Marie Hurley of Lowell, loving grandmother of Sophia Bowden, Zavier Bowden and Gwen Hope Andeson-Hurley, cherished daughter of Marguerite (Lambert) Gouveia and the late Edward T. Gouveia, dear sister of Donna Bourges of Warren, NH, Kathy Piekos and her husband Ed of Dracut, and Thomas Gouveia of Manchester, NH.

Family and friends will gather at the Nichols Funeral Home, 187 Middlesex Ave., (Rt. 62), Wilmington on Friday, May 17 from 10:30 - 11:30 a.m. immediately followed by a Funeral Service at 11:30 a.m.

Memorial donations in Carol's name may be made to the Pug Rescue of New England, 14 Milliston Road, PMB 190, Millis, MA 02054.

Joseph H. Philpott, Jr.

Frequented the Lodge of Elks



Joseph H. Philpott, Jr., known as "Uncle Joey," 84, of Tewksbury, passed away peacefully May 7, 2024 with his niece by his side. Joseph was the son to the late Joseph Sr. and Madeline (Carpenter) Philpott. He was preceded in death by his devoted sisters, Barbara Melanson and Janice Lockhart.

The youngest of three, Uncle Joey was born in Mount Kisco, NY April 3, 1940 with severe cerebral palsy. Despite doctors' grim prognosis that he would not survive into adolescence, with unwavering support from his family, he defied the odds and lived a fulfilling life to old age.

Joseph resided in Tewksbury with his mother, Madeline, until her passing, after which he moved in with his sister Janice and her husband, Arty, where he made his home.

A familiar figure in town, known for his lifelong dedication to walking, he could often be found strolling to Batter-Up, during the 90s, to indulge in his passion for sports memorabilia, or frequenting the Tewksbury/Wilmington Elks Lodge where he formed countless friendships and remained an active presence in the community.

With a deck of cards always at his side, Joey's love for card games brought joy and connection to everyone who shared in his playful spirit. Uncle Joey had an insatiable appetite for both food and sports. He relished summertime dives in the pool and concluded many evenings with the volume turned up, immersed in classic Western films. No family gathering felt whole in his absence.

As Uncle Joey is welcomed into Heaven by God, he sheds the confines of his cerebral palsy, reuniting with his family on the other side liberated from all afflictions.

While on earth leaving behind his brother-in-law Arthur Lockhart of Tewksbury, niece Darlene Lockhart of Tewksbury, niece Dawn Roberts and her husband Gregg of Wilmington, nephew Dean Lockhart and his wife Lisa, nephew Bruce Melanson and his wife Debra of Montour Falls, New York, niece Karen Mitchell of Hopedale, great niece Kaileigh Michalewicz of Tewksbury, great niece and his trusted barber Madison DeNorscia and her husband Justin of Tewksbury, great niece MacKenzie Roberts of Wilmington and many more great nieces, nephews, friends and acquaintances that will miss him dearly.

His visitation was held on Tuesday May 14, 2024 from 10 a.m. until 11 a.m. at Tewksbury Funeral Home, 1 Dewey Street, Tewksbury. His Funeral service took place in the funeral home at 11 a.m. His burial took place privately at the Blue Hill Cemetery, Braintree. Arrangements by the Tewksbury Funeral Home, 1 Dewey Street, Tewksbury, MA 01876.

www.tewksburyfuneralhome.com

Ruth L. (Manning) Manni

Loved to golf and bowl

Ruth L. (Manning) Manni, age 84, a long-time resident of Wilmington, passed away peacefully on May 12, 2024, surrounded by her family.

Ruth was born on Sept. 7, 1939, in Melrose; she was the cherished daughter of the late Joseph and Ruth (Connolly) Manning. Ruth was raised and educated in Melrose where she made many life-long friends and was a graduate of Melrose High School with the Class of 1957.

Ruth married the love of her life, Victor Manni on June 9, 1962; the couple moved into their "forever home" in Wilmington in 1963 and raised two wonderful children, Dawn and Michael.

Ruth loved her home, and her door was always open to welcome her family, friends or anybody who needed a hand. She enjoyed family gatherings and entertaining everyone whether it was a holiday, special celebration, or a cookout poolside in the back yard; she just loved to have everyone around.

Ruth enjoyed being outside in her yard where she created beautiful flower gardens for all to enjoy.

Ruth's family was always her priority; she was always there to support them and lend a hand whenever they needed her. Ruth treasured her role as "Nannie" and she looked forward to the time she spent with her granddaughters, most likely doing whatever they wanted.

Ruth worked hard throughout her life; following high school she took a position at the Telephone Company and started a long career with "Ma Bell." Ruth was a "go getter" with a great personality; throughout the years she made many long-time friends with her co-workers. Ruth was part of countless changes in the telephone and communication field, and she was eager and willing to learn.

Ruth was open-minded and changed with the times, this along with her great work ethic made her a great asset to the company as she worked her way up the ranks to Plant Department Supervisor, a position she held until her retirement in 1989.

In her spare time, Ruth enjoyed playing golf and belonged to several golf leagues throughout the years. She was an avid bowler in her bowling league and a tad bit competitive when it came to her athleticism.

Ruth looked forward to heading "up North" to their family home in Fryeburg, Maine, where all were welcome. She and Victor made many great friends in Maine, they loved to go snowmobiling, and of course to entertain.

Ruth was a social butterfly who loved to go out to lunch with her husband, family, friends, and her girlfriend groups. Ruth was always out and about doing something fun, and you were sure to have a great time if you were out with her.

Ruth and Victor loved to travel; they took some beautiful trips all over the world where they could meet new people, see new places, and experience new cultures. Ruth always had a great story or two of their wonderful adventures that she shared with family and friends.

Ruth will be fondly remembered for many things; she was outgoing, friendly, a great neighbor, and a true friend who would do anything to help anyone. The Wilmington neighborhood was very close-knit, and they considered each other family. She had a lot of energy and a spunky personality that drew people to her. Ruth loved her family and friends with all her heart; she will forever be missed by all who knew her.

Ruth was the beloved wife of the late Victor Manni, devoted mother of Dawn Grasso and her husband Louis and the late Michael Manni all of Wilmington, loving "Nannie" of Cassandra Grasso, Samantha Grasso, and Violet Manni, dear sister of the late Joan Tufts and the late Mary Lou Oatis.

Ruth was also very special to her daughter-in-law Linda Stine, and she is further survived by several brothers and sisters-in-law, as well as many nieces, nephews, and friends.

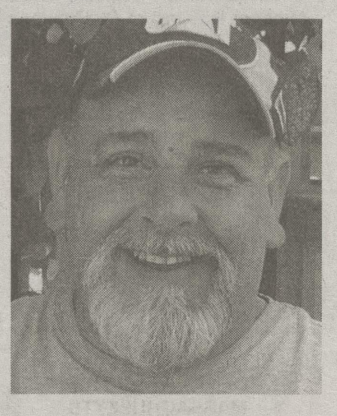
Family and friends will gather at the Nichols Funeral Home, 187 Middlesex Ave. (Rt. 62), Wilmington, on Saturday, May 18 at 9 a.m. followed by a Funeral Mass in St. Thomas Church, 126 Middlesex Ave., Wilmington, at 10 a.m. Interment will take place in Wildwood Cemetery, Wilmington. Visiting Hours will be held at the Funeral Home on Friday, May 17 from 4 - 7 p.m.

Donations in Ruth's memory may be made to the Parish of the Transfiguration (St. Thomas Church), Parish Office, 11 Harnden St., Wilmington, MA 01887.

To leave a message of condolence for the family please visit our website at *www.nicholsfuneralhome.com*

Robert D. 'Bob' Sullivan

Practical joker with an adventurous spirit



Robert D. "Bob" Sullivan, age 54, of Lowell, formerly of Wilmington, passed away peacefully at home following a courageous battle with pancreatic cancer.

Bob was born in Winchester on Jan. 24, 1970; he was the cherished son of Claire and the late Ronald Sullivan of Wilmington. Bob was raised and educated in Wilmington and attended high school at Shawsheen Regional Technical High School in Billerica where he made many great friends.

Bob married the love of his life Christine Brady in October of 2020; together they shared many wonderful times. Bob's family and friends meant the world to him; he was always taking care of everyone and went out of his way to help anyone in need.

Bob had an adventurous spirit; he was known to ride his quads at record speeds or head out in a blizzard for sled parts. He was a practical joker who made everyone he was with want to get out of the escape rooms; if you were with Bob, you were up for an adventure like no other.

Bob loved to gather with family and friends for holiday meals to socialize and enjoy!

Bob worked hard, he was self-employed as a truck driver and was always willing to go the extra mile to get the job done. Bob had a great personality and got along well with his customers as well as his fellow truck drivers.

Bob was a great guy with a huge heart; he loved his family and friends unconditionally and he will forever be missed by all who loved him.

Bob is survived by his beloved wife Christine Sullivan of Lowell, and her daughters Jessica Brady and Samantha Brady, "Papa" of Camila Nieves, cherished son of Claire L. and the late Ronald D. "Herman" Sullivan of Wilmington, dear brother of Ronald D. Sullivan, Jr. and his wife Sherry of Derry, NH, Richard Sullivan and his wife Mary of Raymond, NH, the late Maureen Sullivan, and the late Christopher Sullivan.

Loving Uncle of Nicholas, Caleb, Daniel, Jewel, and Jade. Bob is further survived by many aunts, uncles, cousins, and friends.

Family and friends will gather for a Funeral Service at the Nichols Funeral Home, Inc., 187 Middlesex Ave., (Rt. 62), Wilmington on Monday, May 20 at 11 a.m. Interment to follow in Wildwood Cemetery, Wilmington. Visiting hours will be held at the Funeral Home on Sunday, May 19 from 4 - 8 p.m.

In lieu of flowers, donations in Bob's memory may be made to the Pancreatic Cancer Action Network, 1500 Rosecrans Avenue, Suite 200, Manhattan Beach, CA 90266.

To leave a message of condolence for the family please visit our website at *www.nicholsfuneralhome.com*

Frank graduates from University of N. Georgia

DAHLONEGA, GA — For the spring 2024 semester, the University of North Georgia (UNG) awarded about 1,700 degrees and certificates to graduates. Many of the graduates participated in the spring 2024 commencement ceremonies held May 2-3 at the Convocation Center at UNG's Dahlonega Campus.

Ellen Frank of Tewksbury graduated with a Master of Arts in International Affairs.

Positioned in the fastest-growing region of the state, the University of North Georgia comprises five campuses united by a single mission focused on academic excellence and academic and co-curricular programs that develop students into leaders for a diverse and global society. The University of North Georgia is a University System of Georgia leadership institution and is The Military College of Georgia.

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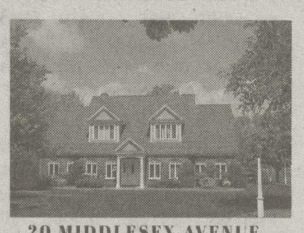

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PUBLIC HEARING

Request for Determination of Applicability (RDA)

Notice is hereby given that the Tewksbury Conservation Commission will hold a public hearing on **May 22, 2024, at 6:30 P.M., located at Tewksbury Town Hall, 1009 Main Street,** for an RDA application filed by Thomas Crawford for the installation of an inground pool within 100' of a flood plain.

The property subject to this application is located at **140 LOUISIANA RD TEWKSBURY, MA, ASSESSOR'S MAP 82-269.**

The application may be examined on the Conservation Commission webpage of the Town of Tewksbury's website at www.tewksbury-ma.gov. Should other accommodations be necessary to view the application, please call the Community Development Office at 978-640-4370. Legal Notice can also be viewed on www.masspublicnotices.org

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LEGAL NOTICE

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
THE TRIAL COURT
PROBATE AND FAMILY COURT

Suffolk Probate and Family Court
24 New Chardon Street
Boston, MA 02114

CITATION GIVING NOTICE OF PETITION FOR APPOINTMENT OF GUARDIAN FOR INCAPACITATED PERSON PURSUANT TO G.L. c. 190B, §5-304

Docket No. SU24P0810GD

In the matter of:
Matthew A Spatola
Of: Tewksbury, MA
RESPONDENT
Alleged Incapacitated Person

To the named Respondent and all other interested persons, a petition has been filed by **Department Of Public Health-Office of Boston, MA** in the above captioned matter alleging that **Matthew A Spatola** is in need of a Guardian and requesting that (or some other suitable person) be appointed as Guardian to serve on the bond.

The petition asks the court to determine that the Respondent is incapacitated, that the appointment of a Guardian is necessary, and that the proposed Guardian is appropriate. The petition is on file with this court and may contain a request for certain specific authority.

You have the right to object to this proceeding. If you wish to do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance at this court on or before 10:00 A.M. on the return date of **05/30/2024.** This day is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline date by which you have to file the written appearance if you object to the petition. If you fail to file the written appearance by the return date, action may be taken in this matter without further notice to you. In addition to filing the written appearance, you or your attorney must file a written affidavit stating the specific facts and grounds of your objection within 30 days after the return date.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

The outcome of this proceeding may limit or completely take away the above-named person's right to make decisions about personal affairs or financial affairs or both. The above-named person has the right to ask for a lawyer. Anyone may make this request on behalf of the above-named person. If the above-named person cannot afford a lawyer, one may be appointed at State expense.

WITNESS, Hon. Brian J. Dunn, First Justice of this Court.

Date: April 17, 2024

Stephanie Everett
Register of Probate

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LEGAL NOTICE

TOWN OF TEWKSBURY
CONSERVATION COMMISSION

PUBLIC HEARING

Request for Determination of Applicability (RDA)

Notice is hereby given that the Tewksbury Conservation Commission will hold a public hearing on **May 22, 2024, at 6:30 P.M., located at Tewksbury Town Hall, 1009 Main Street,** for an RDA application filed by Alexander Quinn for demolish existing deck, construct a new 31' x 14' deck in the rear of the property within the buffer zone of wetlands.

The property subject to this application is located at **13 CATAMOUNT RD TEWKSBURY, MA, ASSESSOR'S MAP 64-44.**

The application may be examined on the Conservation Commission webpage of the Town of Tewksbury's website at www.tewksbury-ma.gov. Should other accommodations be necessary to view the application, please call the Community Development Office at 978-640-4370. Legal Notice can also be viewed on www.masspublicnotices.org

Daniel Ronan
Chair

245055 5/16/24

LEGAL NOTICE

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
THE TRIAL COURT
PROBATE AND FAMILY COURT

Suffolk Probate and Family Court
24 New Chardon Street
Boston, MA 02114

CITATION GIVING NOTICE OF PETITION FOR APPOINTMENT OF CONSERVATOR OR OTHER PROTECTIVE ORDER PURSUANT TO G.L. c. 190B, § 5-304 & § 5-405

Docket No. SU24P0875PM

In the matter of:
Jennifer Chang
Of: Tewksbury, MA
RESPONDENT
(Person to be Protected/Minor)

To the named Respondent and all other interested persons, a petition has been filed by **Mass. Dept. Of Mental Health of Westborough, MA** in the above captioned matter alleging that **Jennifer Chang** is in need of a Conservator or other protective order and requesting that (or some other suitable person) be appointed as Conservator to serve **Without Surety** on the bond.

The petition asks the court to determine that the Respondent is disabled, that a protective order or appointment of a Conservator is necessary, and that the proposed conservator is appropriate. The petition is on file with this court.

You have the right to object to this proceeding. If you wish to do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance at this court on or before 10:00 A.M. on the return date of **05/21/2024.** This day is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline date by which you have to file the written appearance if you object to the petition. If you fail to file the written appearance by the return date, action may be taken in this matter without further notice to you. In addition to filing the written appearance, you or your attorney must file a written affidavit stating the specific facts and grounds of your objection within 30 days after the return date.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

The outcome of this proceeding may limit or completely take away the above-named person's right to make decisions about personal affairs or financial affairs or both. The above-named person has the right to ask for a lawyer. Anyone may make this request on behalf of the above-named person. If the above-named person cannot afford a lawyer, one may be appointed at State expense.

WITNESS, Hon. Brian J. Dunn, First Justice of this Court.

Date: April 30, 2024

Stephanie Everett
Register of Probate

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LEGAL NOTICE

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
THE TRIAL COURT
PROBATE AND FAMILY COURT

Middlesex Probate and Family Court
10-U Commerce Way
Woburn, MA 01801
(781) 865-4000

CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION

Docket No. MI24P2396EA

Estate of: John S. King
Also known as:
Jack King, John King
Date of Death: 03/06/2024

To all interested persons:

A Petition for **Formal Probate of Will with Appointment of Personal Representative** has been filed by **Michael R. King** of **Chelmsford MA** requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition.

The Petitioner requests that: **Michael R. King** of **Chelmsford MA** be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve **Without Surety** on the bond in **unsupervised administration**

IMPORTANT NOTICE

You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before: **10:00 a.m. on the return day of 05/31/2024.**

This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance and objection if you object to this proceeding. If you fail to file a timely written appearance and objection followed by an affidavit of objections within thirty (30) days of the return day, action may be taken without further notice to you.

UNSUPERVISED ADMINISTRATION UNDER THE MASSACHUSETTS UNIFORM PROBATE CODE (MUPC)

A Personal Representative appointed under the MUPC in an unsupervised administration is not required to file an inventory or annual accounts with the Court. Persons interested in the estate are entitled to notice regarding the administration directly from the Personal Representative and may petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate, including the distribution of assets and expenses of administration.

WITNESS, Hon. Terri L. Klug Cafazzo, First Justice of this Court.

Date: May 03, 2024

Tara E. DeCristofaro,
Register of Probate

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LEGAL NOTICE

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
THE TRIAL COURT
PROBATE AND FAMILY COURT

Middlesex Probate and Family Court
10-U Commerce Way
Woburn, MA 01801

CITATION GIVING NOTICE OF PETITION FOR APPOINTMENT OF GUARDIAN FOR INCAPACITATED PERSON PURSUANT TO G.L. c. 190B, §5-304

Docket No. MI24P0690GD

In the matter of: Bruce Vitrano
Of: Tewksbury, MA
RESPONDENT
Alleged Incapacitated Person

To the named Respondent and all other interested persons, a petition has been filed by **Tewksbury Hospital of Tewksbury, MA** in the above captioned matter alleging that **Bruce Vitrano** is in need of a Guardian and requesting that **Marlene Messina of Natick, MA** (or some other suitable person) be appointed as Guardian to serve **Without Surety** on the bond.

The petition asks the court to determine that the Respondent is incapacitated, that the appointment of a Guardian is necessary, and that the proposed Guardian is appropriate. The petition is on file with this court and may contain a request for certain specific authority.

You have the right to object to this proceeding. If you wish to do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance at this court on or before 10:00 A.M. on the return date of **05/31/2024.** This day is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline date by which you have to file the written appearance if you object to the petition. If you fail to file the written appearance by the return date, action may be taken in this matter without further notice to you. In addition to filing the written appearance, you or your attorney must file a written affidavit stating the specific facts and grounds of your objection within 30 days after the return date.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

The outcome of this proceeding may limit or completely take away the above-named person's right to make decisions about personal affairs or financial affairs or both. The above-named person has the right to ask for a lawyer. Anyone may make this request on behalf of the above-named person. If the above-named person cannot afford a lawyer, one may be appointed at State expense.

WITNESS, Hon. Terri L. Klug Cafazzo, First Justice of this Court.

Date: May 03, 2024

Tara E. DeCristofaro,
Register of Probate

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LEGAL NOTICE

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
THE TRIAL COURT
PROBATE AND FAMILY COURT

Middlesex Probate and Family Court
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CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION

Docket No. MI24P2367EA

Estate of:
Kenneth George Reposa, Jr.
Also known as:
Kenneth G Reposa, Jr.,
Kenneth G. Reposa
Date of Death: 07/18/2023

To all interested persons:

A Petition for **Formal Adjudication of Intestacy and Appointment of Personal Representative** has been filed by **Emilia E Reposa** of **Tewksbury MA** requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition.

The Petitioner requests that: **Emilia E Reposa** of **Tewksbury MA** be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve **Without Surety** on the bond in **unsupervised administration**

IMPORTANT NOTICE

You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before: **10:00 a.m. on the return day of 06/03/2024.**

This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance and objection if you object to this proceeding. If you fail to file a timely written appearance and objection followed by an affidavit of objections within thirty (30) days of the return day, action may be taken without further notice to you.

UNSUPERVISED ADMINISTRATION UNDER THE MASSACHUSETTS UNIFORM PROBATE CODE (MUPC)

A Personal Representative appointed under the MUPC in an unsupervised administration is not required to file an inventory or annual accounts with the Court. Persons interested in the estate are entitled to notice regarding the administration directly from the Personal Representative and may petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate, including the distribution of assets and expenses of administration.

WITNESS, Hon. Terri L. Klug Cafazzo, First Justice of this Court.

Date: May 02, 2024

Tara E. DeCristofaro,
Register of Probate

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LEGAL NOTICE

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
THE TRIAL COURT
PROBATE AND FAMILY COURT

Middlesex Probate and Family Court
10-U Commerce Way
Woburn, MA 01801
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CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION

Docket No. MI24P2448EA

Estate of: Eva E. Desharnais
Also known as:
Eva Elaine Desharnais
Date of Death: 06/28/2023

To all interested persons:

A Petition for **Formal Adjudication of Intestacy and Appointment of Personal Representative** has been filed by **Dana Desharnais** of **Tewksbury MA** requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition.

The Petitioner requests that: **Dana Desharnais** of **Tewksbury MA** be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve **With Corporate Surety** on the bond in **unsupervised administration**

IMPORTANT NOTICE

You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before: **10:00 a.m. on the return day of 06/03/2024.**

This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance and objection if you object to this proceeding. If you fail to file a timely written appearance and objection followed by an affidavit of objections within thirty (30) days of the return day, action may be taken without further notice to you.

UNSUPERVISED ADMINISTRATION UNDER THE MASSACHUSETTS UNIFORM PROBATE CODE (MUPC)

A Personal Representative appointed under the MUPC in an unsupervised administration is not required to file an inventory or annual accounts with the Court. Persons interested in the estate are entitled to notice regarding the administration directly from the Personal Representative and may petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate, including the distribution of assets and expenses of administration.

WITNESS, Hon. Terri L. Klug Cafazzo, First Justice of this Court.

Date: May 06, 2024

Tara E. DeCristofaro,
Register of Probate

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TOWN OF TEWKSBURY
PLANNING BOARD

PUBLIC HEARING

FAMILY SUITE
SPECIAL PERMIT

Notice is hereby given that the Tewksbury Planning Board will hold a public hearing on hold a public hearing on **June 3, 2024 at 7:00 P.M.** in the Tewksbury Town Hall, 1009 Main Street, Tewksbury, MA 01876 on an application filed by Lynn Taylor for a Family Suite Special Permit pursuant to Section 7.1 of the Tewksbury Zoning Bylaw to convert existing space in single family dwelling for a family suite as shown on plans filed with this Board.

Said property is located at 91 Pike Street, Assessor's Map 21, Lot 13, zoned Residential.

The application may be examined on the Planning Board webpage of the Town of Tewksbury's website at www.tewksbury-ma.gov. Should other accommodations be necessary to view the application, please call the Community Development Office at 978-640-4370. Legal Notice can also be viewed on www.masspublicnotices.org

Stephen Johnson, Chairman

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LEGAL NOTICE

TOWN OF TEWKSBURY
PLANNING BOARD

PUBLIC HEARING

MODIFICATION TO
SPECIAL PERMIT
(SP2019-15)

Notice is hereby given that the Tewksbury Planning Board will hold a public hearing on **June 3, 2024 at 7:15 PM** in the Tewksbury Town Hall, 1009 Main Street, Tewksbury, MA 01876 on an application filed by 2131 Main Street LLC for a for a Modification to Special Permit (SP 2019-15) to request to site changes including the addition of decks, walkways, and landscape changes from the previously approved site plan as shown on plans filed with this Board.

Said property is located at 2131 Main Street, Assessor's Map 96, Lot 53, zoned South Village Business.

The application may be examined on the Planning Board webpage of the Town of Tewksbury's website at www.tewksbury-ma.gov. Should other accommodations be necessary to view the application, please call the Community Development Office at 978-640-4370. Legal Notice can also be viewed on www.masspublicnotices.org.

Stephen Johnson, Chairman

245064 5/16,23/24

LEGAL NOTICE

TOWN OF TEWKSBURY
PLANNING BOARD

PUBLIC HEARING

FAMILY SUITE
SPECIAL PERMIT

Notice is hereby given that the Tewksbury Planning Board will hold a public hearing on hold a public hearing on **June 3, 2024 at 7:05 P.M.** in the Tewksbury Town Hall, 1009 Main Street, Tewksbury, MA 01876 on an application filed by Paul J. O'Keefe on behalf of Jessica and Arly Moronta for a Family Suite Special Permit pursuant to Section 7.1 of the Tewksbury Zoning Bylaw to construct an addition to the existing single family dwelling for a family suite as shown on plans filed with this Board.

Said property is located at 11 Parker Avenue, Assessor's Map 93, Lot 104, zoned Residential.

The application may be examined on the Planning Board webpage of the Town of Tewksbury's website at www.tewksbury-ma.gov. Should other accommodations be necessary to view the application, please call the Community Development Office at 978-640-4370. Legal Notice can also be viewed on www.masspublicnotices.org

Stephen Johnson, Chairman

240497 5/16,23/24

LEGAL NOTICE

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
THE TRIAL COURT
PROBATE AND FAMILY COURT

MIDDLESEX DIVISION

INFORMAL PROBATE
PUBLICATION NOTICE

Docket No. MI24P1944EA

Estate of: Bryan Martin Davey
Date of Death:
November 28, 2023

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner **Karen E. Davey** of **Wilmington MA** a Will has been admitted to informal probate.

Karen E. Davey of **Wilmington MA** has been informally appointed as the Personal Representative of the estate to serve without surety on the bond.

The estate is being administered under informal procedure by the Personal Representative under the Massachusetts Uniform Probate Code without supervision by the Court. Inventory and accounts are not required to be filed with the Court, but interested parties are entitled to notice regarding the administration from the Personal Representative and can petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate, including distribution of assets and expenses of administration. Interested parties are entitled to petition the Court to institute formal proceedings and to obtain orders terminating or restricting the powers of Personal Representatives appointed under informal procedure. A copy of the Petition and Will, if any, can be obtained from the Petitioner.

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LEGAL NOTICE

TOWN OF TEWKSBURY
CONSERVATION COMMISSION

PUBLIC HEARING

Request for Determination of Applicability (RDA)

Notice is hereby given that the Tewksbury Conservation Commission will hold a public hearing on **May 22, 2024, at 6:30 P.M., located at Tewksbury Town Hall, 1009 Main Street,** for an RDA application filed by Michael Shaughnessy on behalf of David Wilkinson for the reclamation, grading, and paving of the existing parking lots for Building 7 without changes to asphalt dimensions. Work is proposed within 100' of a bordering vegetated wetland.

The property subject to this application is located at **0 BILLERICA INDUSTRIAL PARK ROAD, TEWKSBURY, MA, ASSESSOR'S MAP 3-62.**

The application may be examined on the Conservation Commission webpage of the Town of Tewksbury's website at www.tewksbury-ma.gov. Should other accommodations be necessary to view the application, please call the Community Development Office at 978-640-4370. Legal Notice can also be viewed on www.masspublicnotices.org

Daniel Ronan
Chair

240490 5/16/24

LEGAL NOTICE

TOWN OF TEWKSBURY
PLANNING BOARD

PUBLIC HEARING

SITE PLAN REVIEW,
LAND DISTURBANCE PERMIT,
SIGN SPECIAL PERMIT

Notice is hereby given that the Tewksbury Planning Board will hold a public hearing on **June 3, 2024 at 7:10 PM** in the Tewksbury Town Hall, 1009 Main Street, Tewksbury, MA 01876 on an application filed by Arthur J. Triglione for a Sign Special Permit pursuant to Section 6.2, Site Plan Review pursuant to Section 3.6 of the Tewksbury Zoning Bylaw, as well as a Land Disturbance Permit pursuant to Chapter 19 of the General Bylaw to construct an addition to the existing retail building with associated site improvements including utilities, stormwater improvements, landscaping, and lighting as shown on plans filed with this Board.

Said property is located at 792 Main Street, Assessor's Map 48, Lot 20, zoned Mixed Use Business.

The application may be examined on the Planning Board webpage of the Town of Tewksbury's website at www.tewksbury-ma.gov. Should other accommodations be necessary to view the application, please call the Community Development Office at 978-640-4370. Legal Notice can also be viewed on www.masspublicnotices.org

Stephen Johnson,
Chairman

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O'Connell hired as new assistant town manager

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from the town to each team member by name.

In memos, Cimaglia wrote to the board first about the hiring of Judith O'Connell as assistant town manager. He said in the memo that O'Connell is a longtime resident, graduate of Wilmington High School and Merrimack College, with 28 combined years of experience in real estate, human resources benefits, administrative support, athletic coaching, municipal government, marketing, sales, and education.

He also mentioned her time in service to the School Committee and the Select Board.

His second memo said that the town would pursue triple A bond rating. He explained that this would be the highest rating that can be issued, and the town currently has double A plus bond rating.

Bendel commented that this was a great credit to the staff which would pay dividends moving forward.

DPW Director Jamie Magaldi informed the board of the posting of the town's 2024 Vegetation Management Plan online via written notice.

Town Museum Curator Matt Beres came before the board relative to a request by Historical Commission Chairman Bonny Smith to offer beer tastings at the "Night at the Museum" event on Sunday, June 9.

Beres explained that they were inviting the Wilmington Minutemen to act as historical figures for a sort of living history night featuring a small beer tasting. Kathy Sutherland came to the museum asking to donate kegs of locally-sourced beer for the event which would be free. They would allow two drink tickets to each guest over the age of 21.

Cimaglia shared that Police Chief Joe Desmond stated his lack of concern with the request. The board voted in favor accordingly.

There were two requests for farmers market winery licenses to sell wine at the Wilmington Farmers Market by Noel Powell, on behalf of Aaronap Cellars, and Jeff Venuti, on behalf of Blisspoint Meadery. Cimaglia explained that the sellers will alternate nights, and the police chief approved both. The board did the same.

The board later voted to execute the agreement reached between the town and the Wilmington Police Supervisors Association. The contract had been voted upon during executive session.

They also voted unanimously in favor of authorizing bond issuance relative to the new senior center and town hall/school administration building. The price was over $38 million and interest for $36 million in bonds to Morgan Stanley and Company.

Cimaglia mentioned that next steps would include signings the bonds and certifying the signatures. He also shared that the town believed the new bond rating would provide savings in the millions of dollars.

Resident Kevin MacDonald spoke up to ask how this could be done when there was no building permit approved on the new town hall/school administration building. Bendel noted this concern.

They approved appointments on the Board of Appeals for Dennis Rooney until April 30, 2026 and Sean Milne until April 30, 2027.

MacDonald commented further during the appropriate time to ask for the names of other bonding companies who pursued bids and the total amount of the warrants approved that night. Bendel thanked MacDonald for his comments and said the board would take his questions under advisement.

In announcements, West declared that Senator Barry Finegold would visit the senior center on Friday at 2 p.m. to discuss taxes, emergency preparedness, and scam prevention.

Caira mentioned in new business that the town hall/school administration building would break ground on Friday, May 17 at noon, though he wished it were later in the day so that the public could more easily attend.

The Salute to Service went to US Army Veteran Corporal Fred D. Cain Sr. Bendel mentioned that Cain graduated from WHS in 1949, served in the army from 1953 to 1954, raised five children in town, became president of his family car dealership for 40 years, and volunteered through the Friendship Lodge and the Masons. He wished Cain's family condolences and saluted him.

The board's next meeting will be on Tuesday, May 28.

School Committee approves Greece trip planned for June and July of 2025

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June 24 through July 8 of 2025, but the trip would last nine days of that window. The trip would include roundtrip airfare, hotels, breakfasts and dinners, transportation, expert local guides, guided sightseeing, entrance to landmarks and attractions, and a 24/7 tour guide.

The proposed cost amounted to about $4,000, which could be paid in full or either monthly or bi-weekly installments.

Students would be responsible for paying for passports, baggage fees, tips, snacks, and any other purchases they choose to make during the trip. They said this would be an opportunity for students to gain a global perspective, embrace new challenges, and learn more about themselves.

Stephen Turner brought up a security concern, and McDermott said that their protection includes insurance regarding an evacuation, and within 45 days of the trip if there is a level four advisory then they can move the dates or the location.

Turner also highlighted the need for smaller, shorter trips that are more accessible to students who can't afford a $4,000 trip. Bryson also wondered if they would consider opening the trip to students who are now freshmen but would be finishing their sophomore year if they didn't fill the trip with juniors and seniors.

McDermott said that they hoped to take just one bus of students and would use a waitlist if they needed to. They had scheduled a parent interest meeting the following week and received 64 signups.

Superintendent Dr. Glenn Brand commented that there was clearly a great appetite for travel and he liked seeing planning go farther out.

The committee also approved a donation from CATS to the WHS Lamplighters Guild in the amount of $5,000. The CATS representatives shared their fundraising efforts and recent success breaking records with the production of The Little Mermaid Jr. and Newsies, among other shows. She also mentioned that CATS had given $15,000 to the drama program this year so far.

Regarding the agenda item about raising the substitute pay rate, Chair David Ragsdale mentioned that the committee met in executive session and were looking to increase the rate for educational assistant and noncertified teacher substitutes to $110 a day and teacher substitutes to $120.

Turner asked to clarify when the rate would go into effect. Brand replied that it was their intention to change the rate as early as the following week.

Lastly, the committee agreed upon their retreat to be on Monday the 8th, to take up most of the day to consider how they approach their work, the committee procedures, evaluate their effectiveness, and more.

The committee will next meet on Wednesday May 22.

Kane honored at DECA Conference

EASTON — **Hayden Kane**, a member of Stonehill College's DECA chapter from Wilmington, placed third internationally in the Business Ethics team event at the International Career Development Conference in Austin, Texas.

At the conference, Stonehill DECA faced off against more than 200 schools in competitive case study events designed to prepare them to become leaders and entrepreneurs.

"I am truly thrilled by all that this group has accomplished. Their achievements are a testament to the power of Stonehill's Meehan School of Business education, as well as their passion for and commitment to the impactful experiences that DECA offers," said Associate Professor of Management Information Systems Michael Sale, Stonehill DECA faculty advisor.

Visit Stonehill College's website for more about the conference.

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Ragsdale secures designation for NCTE Achievement Award in Writing

WILMINGTON — **Evander Ragsdale** from **Wilmington High School** has been selected for a 2024 Achievement Award in Writing, given by the National Council of Teachers of English (NCTE).

The NCTE Achievement Awards in Writing is a school-based writing program established in 1957 to encourage high school students to write and to recognize some of the best student writers in the nation. Only students who are juniors may participate.

Schools in all 50 states, the District of Columbia, US territories, Canada, and American schools abroad are eligible to nominate students for the writing program.

Evander is a WHS junior who has taken Creative Writing and AP English Language & Composition this year. They are a passionate writer who has worked in a variety of modes, including poetry and script writing. This year's NCTE prompt asked students to "Reflect on the many facets of your identity. Compose a personal piece that defines who you are and how you show it."

Evander was recognized for a nonfiction composition titled "How to Be Queer Without Choking."

This year, schools nominated 633 students. From the United States, students were nominated from 44 states, as well as Guam and Washington, D.C. Internationally, teachers nominated students from Canada, Greece, Jordan, South Korea, Taiwan, and Thailand. Two to three independent judges evaluated each submission holistically on content, purpose, audience, tone, word choice, organization, development, and style.

For more information about the NCTE Achievement Awards in Writing, including past winners, see *http://www.ncte.org/awards/achievement-awards-in-writing/*.

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Trach recognized at Regis' annual Student Leadership Awards ceremony

WESTON — **Katherine Trach**, 2026, received the Pillar of the Community Award during the university's Student Leadership Awards Ceremony, an event that recognizes students who serve in leadership roles on campus, including clubs and organizations, who have made a significant impact on the Regis community over the last academic year.

Trach was recognized with this award due to their unwavering dedication to academics as well as the Regis community.

"Regis students are challenged and supported as they explore their passions to find their purpose in the world," said President Antoinette Hays, PhD, RN. "A Regis education is truly invaluable, thanks to the faculty and staff who prioritize fostering character and confidence in our students in preparation for a successful career and life of meaning."

▲ Wilmington's Select Board executed a contract with incoming Town Manager Eric Slagle. Pictured is the board, Slagle, temporary Town Manager Lou Cimaglia and Asst. Town Manager Judith O'Connell. The board thanks everyone who assisted in the search and process. (Courtesy photo)

New town manager to start on June 10

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mittee held a number of initial interviews and narrowed the candidates down to four. The four candidates were interviewed over two Select Board meetings on March 12 and 13.

The board voted on their preferred finalist to pursue contract negotiations during their meeting on March 18. Eric Slagle is the candidate that the board selected to become the next town manager by unanimous vote. Contract negotiations ensued over the following two months.

Chair Gary DePalma opened the board's meeting on May 13 by sharing that the town had been through a rough patch finding a new assistant town manager and town manager. He said that the board was able to produce an individual that night to be the town manager.

"As long as [Slagle] is the best, the town's going to be the best," he continued.

He also thanked Cimaglia for his time serving as temporary town manager.

During discussion relative to the vote to execute the agreement, Frank West welcomed Slagle to Wilmington. Lilia Maselli said she looked forward to his starting date.

Newly nominated Chair Greg Bendel established that the negotiations had been led by Lilia Maselli and Kevin Caira. He also said the contract pertained to a three-year deal for an amount of $209,000 as a starting salary, which would increase in the following years by 2.75 percent.

Slagle's first day on the job will be June 10. This would be almost a year from the date the former town manager announced his intention to retire.

Kevin Caira said that Slagle and Assistant Town Manager Judy O'Connell would make a great team on behalf of the town and residents. He said he looked forward to working with both of them for many years. Cimaglia wrote to the board in advance of this meeting with the announcement of O'Connell's hiring.

DePalma said he looked forward to Slagle's ideas and the board understood that some things would change.

Bendel added that he was grateful for Cimaglia's time as temporary town manager.

The board voted unanimously in favor of executing the agreement.

In public comment, resident Kevin MacDonald recalled the appropriations for Hull's last fiscal year in service to the town compared to what he was paid for his time, leaving an amount of $117,000. He pointed out that this would not be enough money to pay for the first year of the new town manager's agreement.

He stood in opposition with Cimaglia's appointment to temporary town manager, referencing the town charter, his reason being that Cimaglia allegedly held elected office within 12 months of his appointment. He also opposed Cimaglia's hiring of the new assistant town manager.

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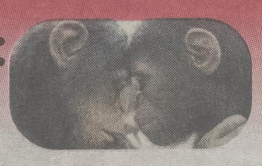

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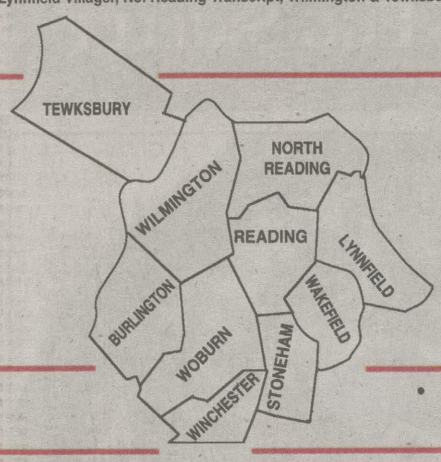

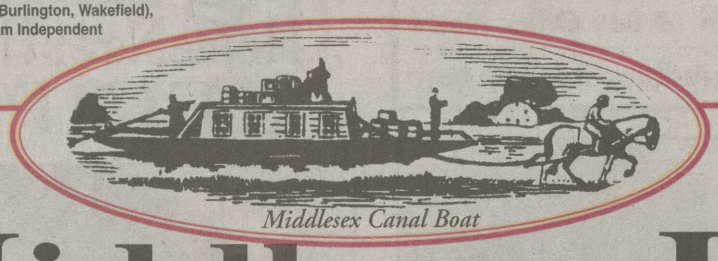

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Reading's Senior Center project again takes center stage

By PATRICK BLAIS

Despite all their exuberant optimism, a younger crowd just may have walked away after tasting the bitter sting of defeat. But in a show of the kind of true grit that only comes with age, Reading's senior citizens refused to let go of their dreams of building a new intergenerational community center.

Some 12 months after a previous attempt to construct that facility in the heart of Reading Center failed in the face of stalemated land acquisition talks, that persistence has paid off as town officials have now advanced no fewer than three viable options for constructing a new senior center elsewhere.

Last month, the Reading Center for Acting Living Committee (ReCALC), an advisory group established to study options for renovating or replacing the community's 141-year-old senior center off of Pleasant Street, designated a $27.9 million proposal to construct a new facility off of Symonds Way by the Burbank Ice Arena as their top ranked choice. Reading's Council on Aging (COA) met shortly thereafter and came to an identical conclusion.

According to preliminary design documents prepared by Boston architects at Bargmann Hendrie + Archetype, Inc. (BH+A) - which was hired last fall to conduct a new senior and intergenerational community center feasibility study - the Symonds Way facility would contain approximately 26,300 square feet of space and be constructed on town-owned land by the community skating rink and a private rifle club.

The new two-story facility would including separate gaming, arts and crafts, and program spaces and be anchored by a large gymnasium and an elevated track. The intergenerational center, which would cater to both teens and seniors, would also include a full kitchen, a large multi-purpose room that could used for functions, a fitness room, several small program spaces, and a series of offices for town staff.

A surface level parking lot with 86 spaces is also proposed. The designer has also suggested that there is sufficient space left over on the lot to construct a handful of outdoor pickleball courts.

Though situated away from the center of town, both ReCALC and the COA have deemed the Symonds Way site as a much better alternative to renovating the exist-

• CENTER TO B-3

CENTER OF ATTENTION - Recently, the Reading Center for Acting Living Committee (ReCALC), an advisory group established to study options for renovating or replacing the community's 141-year-old senior center (above) off of Pleasant Street, designated a $27.9 million proposal to construct a new facility off of Symonds Way by the Burbank Ice Arena as their top ranked choice. (File Photo)

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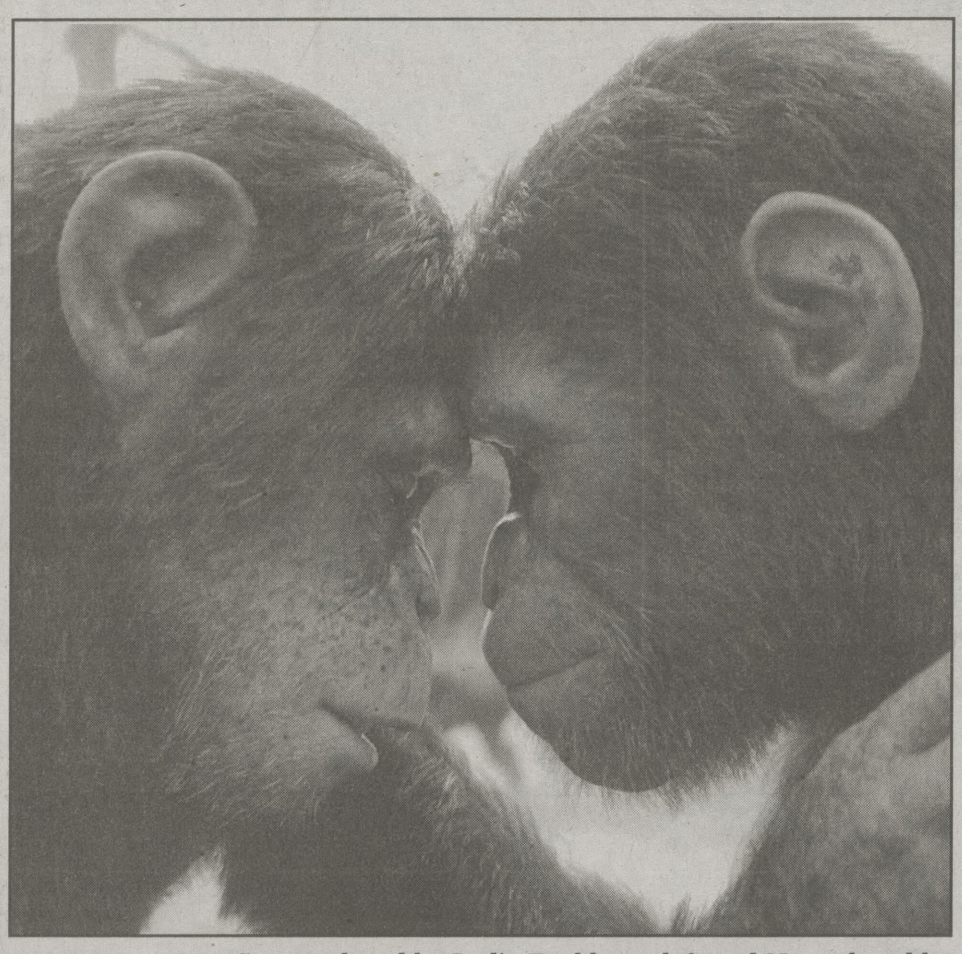
Movie Reviews & Box Office News

'Kingdom of the Planet of the Apes' has a mindblowing new hero



MONKEY SEE - Soona, played by Lydia Peckham, left and Noa, played by Owen Teague, in a scene from "Kingdom of the Planet of the Apes" from 20th Century Studios. (20th Century Studios via AP)

By MARK KENNEDY
AP Entertainment Writer

Fans of the "Planet of the Apes" franchise may still be mourning the 2017 death of Caesar, the first smart chimp and the charismatic ape leader. Not to worry: He haunts the next episode, the thrilling, visually stunning "Kingdom of the Planet of the Apes."

We actually start with Caesar's funeral, his body decorated with flowers and then set alight like a Viking, before fast-forwarding "many generations later." All apes talk now and most humans don't, reduced to caveman loin cloths and running wide-eyed and scared, evolution in reverse.

Our new hero is the young ape Noa (Owen Teague) who is like all young adult chimps — seeking his father's approval (even chimp dads just don't understand) and testing his bravery. He is part of a clan that raises pet eagles, smokes fish and lives peacefully.

That all changes when his village is attacked not by humans but by fellow apes — masked soldiers from a nasty kingdom led by the crown-wearing Proximus Caesar (Kevin Durand, playing it to the hilt). He has taken Caesar's name but twisted his words to become a tyrannical strongman — sorry, strongape.

Unlike the last movie which dealt with man's inhumanity to animals — concentration camps included — ape-on-ape violence is in the cards for this one, including capturing an entire clan as prisoners. Proximus Caesar's goons use makeshift cattle prods on fellow apes and force them to work while declaring "For Caesar!"

Screenwriter Josh Friedman has cleverly created a movie that examines how ancient stories can be hijacked and manipulated, like how Caesar's non-violent message gets twisted by bad actors. There's also a lot of "Avatar" primitive naivete, and that makes sense since the reboot was shaped by several of that blue alien movie's makers.

The movie poses some uncomfortable questions about collaborationists. William H. Macy plays a human who has become a sort of teacher-prisoner to Proximus Caesar — reading Kurt Vonnegut to him — and won't fight back. "It is already their world," he rationalizes.

Along for the heroic ride is a human young woman (Freya Allan, a budding star) who is hiding an agenda but offers Noa help along the way. Peter Macon plays a kindly, book-loving orangutan who adds a jolt of gleeful electricity to the movie and is missed when he goes.

The effects are just jaw-dropping, from the ability to see individual hairs on the back of a monkey to the way leaves fall and the crack of tree limbs echoing in the forest. The sight of apes on horseback, which seemed glitchy just seven years ago, are now seamless. There are also inside jokes, like the use of the name Nova again this time.

Director Wes Ball nicely handles all the thrilling sequences — though the two-and-a-half hour runtime is somewhat taxing — and some really cool ones, like the sight of apes on horseback on a beach, a nod to the original 1968 movie. And like when the apes look through some old illustrated kids' books and see themselves depicted in zoo cages. That makes for some awkward human-ape interaction. "What is next for apes? Should we go back to silence?" our hero asks.

The movie races to a complex face-off between good and bad apes and good and bad humans outside a hulking silo that holds promise to each group. Can apes and humans live in peace, as Caesar hoped? "Kingdom of the Planet of the Apes" doesn't answer that but it does open up plenty more to ponder. Starting with the potentially crippling proposition of a key death, this franchise has somehow found new vibrancy.

"Kingdom of the Planet of the Apes," a 20th Century Studios release that is exclusively in theaters May 10, is rated PG-13 for "intense sequences of sci-fi violence and action." Running time: 145 minutes. Three and a half stars out of four.

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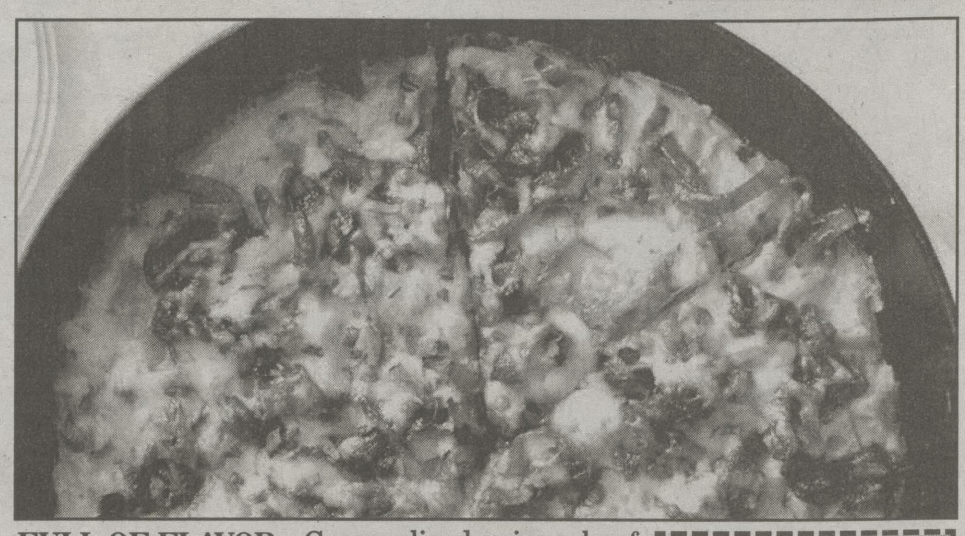

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1. In 12-inch cast-iron skillet, heat 2 tablespoons of the butter over medium-high heat. Add onions; cook 5 to 7 minutes, stirring occasionally, until onions begin to brown. Reduce heat to medium; cook 10 to 12 minutes, stirring frequently, until onions are browned. Increase heat to high. Add broth; cook and stir 5 to 7 minutes or until onions are dark brown and liquid has evaporated. Transfer onions to bowl.

2. Meanwhile, in medium bowl, beat eggs, milk, salt and pepper with whisk until well mixed. Set oven control to broil.

3. Wipe out skillet with paper towels. Heat remaining 2 tablespoons butter in skillet over medium heat. Add bread cubes; stir to coat. Cook 3 to 4 minutes, stirring frequently, until cubes are lightly browned. Reduce heat to low; pour egg mixture into skillet over bread cubes. Cook 5 to 8 minutes, without stirring, until eggs are set on bottom, but still jiggly on top. Arrange onions over top. Sprinkle with cheese.

4. Broil with top of skillet 6 inches from heat 3 to 5 minutes or until set and cheese is melted.

Ingredients

- 4 tablespoons butter
- 2 medium onions, cut into 1/4-inch slices (2 cups)
- 1 cup Progresso™ beef flavored broth (from 32-oz carton)
- 8 eggs
- 1/2 cup milk
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
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ing facility, which sits on an undersized lot with space constraints.

"Could we, with shoehorns and duct tape make everything work out to some extent? If that was the only choice we could. But I think we have better choices," said ReCALC and Select Board member Mark Dockser of the Pleasant Street Center renovation plan last month.

Meanwhile, the Oakland Road site, though including enough room to include ample parking and luxurious amenities like an indoor walking track, sits in close proximity to a residential neighborhood. And as Council on Aging members found out earlier this spring, those abutters are anything but enthusiastic about the idea of siting a new senior center by their backyards.

"If I was doing it today, based on the abutters, I'd put Symonds at the top," said COA member Marilyn Shapleigh Shapleigh. "I was really compelled to change [my mind] once I heard the abutters."

With any luck, the Select Board could approve the Symonds Way option later this month, when the elected officials will meet with both committees to discuss the Symonds Way option and competing proposal to build a new $27.7 million intergenerational center on town-owned land off of Oakland Road by the community's high school. Also up for consideration is a third $27.9 million option that would involve making extensive renovations to the existing Pleasant Street Center premises by the outer edges of downtown Reading.

Should the Select Board sanction one of the three proposals later this month - the discussion is set to take place on May 21 - an official building committee would be formed to prepare schematic design documents for the project.

Town Meeting and local voters would then be asked to approve funding for the project next year. Assuming that debt exclusion override passes at the election polls, a general contractor could tentatively be breaking ground on the undertaking in the middle of 2026.

Persistance pays

The town is on the cusp of a major senior center breakthrough just about a year after a previous push to site the community center at an old pharmacy building in downtown Reading failed in dramatic fashion.

Specifically, in the summer of 2022, several months after the town appropriated $300,000 so ReCALC could commission the BH+A feasibility study, the Select Board began exploring the possibility of buying the old Walgreen's Pharmacy building off Harden Street for the project.

Later also considering the acquisition of a second old Reading Center pharmacy building off Haven Street, the Select Board would ultimately agree in January of 2023 to focus on the Harden Street site.

Two months later, town leaders unveiled preliminary plans to redevelop the old Walgreen's site into a luxurious two-story community center with amenities like outdoor mezzanines, a rooftop garden, a grand banquet room and a double-decked parking garage.

However, those land acquisition talks shortly thereafter became hopelessly deadlocked. And by April of last year, the Select Board announced it was officially shelving that estimated $34.2 million redevelopment and starting the whole process over from scratch.

The old Walgreen's building has since been converted into a Dollar Tree store.

Dating back to 1883, the current senior center off of Pleasant Street originally served as the town's police and fire headquarters before being converted into its current use.

Reading's citizens have been pushing for a new community center since 2017, when a team from UMass Boston's Gerontology Institute declared the existing Pleasant Street facility as woefully inadequate and incapable of meeting the future needs of the town.

Since that original 58-pages study was released, UMass researcher and lead report author Caitlin Coyle has only reiterated the antiquated facility, which lacks handicapped access and other key amenities, is not setup to handle Reading's rapidly growing elderly population.

Currently, 26 percent of Reading residents are now aged 60 and over, while another 15 percent of citizens - aged between 50 and 59 - are just years away from their golden years.

Supporting the idea that space is also needed for local teens, the latest demographic data shows that nearly a quarter of Reading residents are currently aged 18 or younger.

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BURLINGTON

7 Glen Ave was sold to Pandey, Suresh and Lohani, Mandira by Depaiva, Flora C and Depaiva, Wendell G for $575,000 on 04/19/24

6 Gloria Cir was sold to Julien, Halsey J and Saintvil, Joan C by Sanford M & A Rt and Griffin 3rd, James F for $776,000 on 04/17/24

18 Patriot Rd was sold to Kim, Jinwoo and Jung, Juyoung by Siket Jr, John M and Siket, Machelle C for $780,000 on 04/16/24

5 Reserve Way #B was sold to Freedland, Mark by Brick, Phyllis M and Brick, James L for $1,165,000 on 04/17/24

339 Cambridge St was sold to Langone, Jeffrey by Driscoll Regina M Est and Keady, Kathleen for $635,000 on 04/26/24

21 Gedick Rd was sold to 21 Gedick LLC by Sacca, Michael J and Sacca, Emily C for $675,000 on 04/23/24

4 Morrison Rd was sold to Sacca, Michael and Sacca, Emily by Vincent, Nazar for $1,875,000 on 04/24/24

2 Nichold St was sold to Meconi, William L and Folinus, Kaitlin A by Top Notch RET and Goldberg, Debra A for $1,885,000 on 04/22/24

4 Reserve Way #A was sold to Reynolds, Joseph R and Reynolds, Betsy P by James Bradley Johnson Lt and Johnson, James B for $965,000 on 04/22/24

4 Reserve Way #B was sold to Xu, Yinuo and Zhang, Yiming by Malladi, Jared for $986,000 on 04/23/24

LYNNFIELD

34 Essex St was sold to Ingham, Alice M and Ingham, Oscar J by Golitko, Laura for $925,000 on 04/19/24

15 Oxbow Rd was sold to Trinity Home Builders LLC by Dalton Ft and Dalton, Patricia J for $700,000 on 04/26/24

NORTH READING

280 Martins Lndg #411 was sold to Bialobrzewski, Richard and Bialobrzewski, Sydney A by Pulte Hm Of New Eng LLC for $646,270 on 04/25/24

280 Martins Lndg #8511 was sold to Harrington, Kathleen M and Harrington, Patricia C by Pulte Hm Of New Eng LLC for $684,125 on 04/23/24

280 Martins Lndg #508 was sold to Patricia Kilduff Est and Plan Kilduff, Patricia A by Pulte Hm Of New Eng LLC for $673,175 on 04/26/24

280 Martins Lndg #8405 was sold to Reynolds, Gary D and Reynolds, Patricia A by Pulte Hm Of New Eng LLC for $606,500 on 04/26/24

280 Martins Lndg #8512 was sold to Sweeney, Kelley A by Pulte Hm Of New Eng LLC for $794,735 on 04/24/24

28 Nutter Rd was sold to First Landing Invs LLC by Connors Ann C Est and Connors, William J for $545,000 on 04/25/24

28 Nutter Rd was sold to Zci Homes LLC by First Landing Invs LLC for $557,500 on 04/25/24

READING

36 Abigail Way #1011 was sold to 36 Abigail Wayunit 1011 and R Sutherby, Catherine D by Stocks, William D and Stocks, Janis M for $521,750 on 04/18/24

36 Abigail Way #3007 was sold to Dececca, John F and Dececca, Laura M by Chrostowski Nancy Est and Liffiton, Peter for $650,000 on 04/16/24

7 Augustus Ct #1010 was sold to Cerrato, Gerard by Burke, Linda R for $515,000 on 04/18/24

17 Brentwood Dr was sold to Cruz, Edson R by Ahn, Youngwook and Lee, Minjeong for $806,000 on 04/19/24

8 Crosby Rd was sold to Manser, Joseph S and Stewart, Mara by Morel, Dennis and Morel, Diane for $790,000 on 04/19/24

49 Gavin Cir was sold to Wooldridge, David A and Wooldridge, Wendy L by Schneider C R Est and Dodier, Karissa M for $1,020,000 on 04/16/24

351 Grove St was sold to Sullivan 3rd, William A and Sullivan, Amanda by Nova Homebuilders Inc for $1,675,000 on 04/17/24

101 Hanscom Ave was sold to Defranco, Christine A by Reilly, Rebecca for $680,000 on 04/18/24

62 Longfellow Rd was sold to Flynn, Liam V and Ferreol, Camille A by Nanni Irt and Nanni, Dante N for $730,000 on 04/19/24

54 Track Rd was sold to Tharp, Jason by Gah Construction LLC for $1,309,000 on 04/17/24

18 Carnation Cir #B was sold to Parada, Aline G and Depodesta, Luiz O by Anderson, Walter R and Anderson, Carol L for $810,000 on 04/22/24

8 Deborah Dr was sold to Roberson, Kelsey and Halloran, Nicholas by Mcdonald, Grace P for $905,000 on 04/26/24

20 Glenmere Cir was sold to Fumicello, Mark and Fumicello, Alexandra by Van-Geons, Ryan T and Van-Geons, Erin for $937,860 on 04/24/24

122 Johnson Woods Dr #202 was sold to Murray, Catherine N by Johnson Woods Realty Cor for $720,000 on 04/22/24

29 Perkins Ave was sold to Van Geons, Ryan T and Van Geons, Erin A by Costello, Daniel F and Costello, Brenna for $1,890,000 on 04/26/24

STONEHAM

20 Grant St was sold to Brady, Michael W and Brady, Sydney B by Pastika, Timothy and Tremmel, Jessica for $713,000 on 04/18/24

100 Ledgewood Dr #516 was sold to Geraghty, Kaitlyn by Sullivan, Henry A for $390,500 on 04/18/24

1 Smittys Way was sold to Aggarwal, Varun and Gupta, Tanvi by Elshaboury, Ramy and Elshaboury, Soha for $1,130,000 on 04/19/24

38 Tremont St was sold to Nierenberg, Albert and Nierenberg, Elsa by Pegoraro, Christen and Pegoraro, Matthew for $805,000 on 04/16/24

10 Emerald Ct was sold to Weerasekara, Vajira K and Weerasekara, M A by Rao, Vishal for $975,000 on 04/26/24

25 Erickson St was sold to Mariano, Nicholas D and Mariano, Christina T by Gomes Ft and Gomes, Richard F for $600,000 on 04/22/24

Lindenwood Rd was sold to Anderson, Trudance B by Shea, Dennis for $10,000 on 04/22/24

91 North St was sold to Umapathy, Maheshwaran and Kumar, Shreedevi A by Dugan, Michael J and Cerbone, Marika A for $665,000 on 04/26/24

96 Spring St was sold to Yazejian, Samantha L and Hilbert, Noah by Haggerty Jr Robert F Est and Dwyer, Patricia A for $655,000 on 04/26/24

William St was sold to Anderson, Trudance B by Shea, Dennis for $10,000 on 04/22/24

3 Woodland Rd #205 was sold to Dias, Aelson and Dias, Elisia by Winchester Hospital for $179,500 on 04/24/24

N/A was sold to Anderson, Trudance B by Shea, Dennis for $10,000 on 04/22/24

TEWKSBURY

68 Babicz Rd was sold to Abruzzese, Nicholas and Rumore, Marissa A by Winn Ft and Winn, Ann M for $630,000 on 04/17/24

6 Benson Rd was sold to Ford, Cameron and Ford, Amanda by Massa FT and Massa Jr, Joseph for $612,000 on 04/16/24

195 Kendall Rd was sold to Aldophe, Christine by Jean-Baptiste, Antoine and Jean-Baptiste, Juline for $615,000 on 04/18/24

28 Kent St was sold to Hady, Dana by Page, Judith A for $670,000 on 04/19/24

24 Randolph Dr #24 was sold to Lobo, Douglas F and Murphy, Sarah J by Richards, Barbara J for $385,000 on 04/19/24

81 Apache Way #81 was sold to Magliano, Patrick J and Kantner, Taylor M by Patel, Niravkumar and Patel, Reena for $480,000 on 04/25/24

63 Fiske St was sold to Obrien, James and Obrien, Hillary by Jop, Carlene for $675,000 on 04/26/24

50 Geiger Dr was sold to Curtis, Rita and Curtis, Elizabeth by American Mktg Invs LLC for $739,000 on 04/22/24

90 John St was sold to Vanberlo, Matthew and Milosh, Lisa by Hutcheon, Nicole for $615,000 on 04/22/24

830 Livingston St #5 was sold to Lone Tree Properties LLC by Stephen P Leclair T and Leclair, Deborah L for $318,000 on 04/26/24

215 Merrimack Meadows Ln #176 Kalita, Eric M by 1 Kennedy Circle RET and Demos, Lisa G for $475,000 on 04/23/24

10 Mohawk Dr was sold to Jancsy, Katrina and Jancsy, Ryan M by Carlisle, Lynne A for $606,022 on 04/24/24

250 Shawsheen St was sold to Godoy, Charles E by Brick, James L for $520,000 on 04/26/24

46 Villa Roma Dr #46 was sold to Palladino, Vincent and Palladino, Linda by Linda Engstrom RET and Engstrom, Linda A for $490,000 on 04/26/24

28 Warren Rd was sold to Holland, James and Greensmith, Amy by Ebert, Austen J and Ebert, Meghan for $675,000 on 04/26/24

N/A was sold to 7720 Main Street LLC by Carciofi Rt and Carciofi, Louis for $900,000 on 04/25/24

WAKEFIELD

47 Chestnut St was sold to Pokhrel, Ajit R and Pokhrel, Sumitra by Bouthiller, Carolyn M for $910,000 on 04/17/24

42 Salem St #D was sold to Roberto, Malia and Burr, Adam by Ferragamo, Donna L for $595,500 on 04/19/24

16 Scott Ln was sold to Bresnihan, Danielle and Bresnihan, David by Flynn Ft and Flynn, Daniel T for $1,026,000 on 04/19/24

31 Sweetser St was sold to Burke, John and Burke, Helen by Dimattia, Karen J for $735,000 on 04/17/24

46 Woodcrest Dr was sold to Cappetta, Charles A by Schwarzer Ft and Schwarzer, Gaylan P for $662,000 on 04/18/24

21 Bonair Ave was sold to Dorn, Mark and Dorn, Christine by Kelly, Lorraine E for $650,000 on 04/25/24

16 Oak St was sold to Koziol, Kyle and Koziol, Gabriella by Lum, Benjamin for $1,000,000 on 04/23/24

51 Putnam Ave was sold to Xu, Kevin and He, Grace by Romero-Ibarra, Francisco and Romero, Doris for $1,235,000 on 04/23/24

48 Spring St was sold to Vasapolli, Jacob and Vasapolli, Elizabeth by Kilduff Nt and Carbone, Patricia A for $912,000 on 04/24/24

54 Winship Dr was sold to Vogt, Robert and Mahoney, Lindsey by Katherine J Arbour and RET Arbour, Katherine J for $1,600,000 on 04/25/24

WILMINGTON

28 Burlington Ave #3 was sold to Konz, Stephanie and Rogers, Nicholas by Pan, Chia-Te and Pan, Jocelyn for $562,000 on 04/19/24

175 Lowell St was sold to Propco Ma Ii Ll, Dogwood T by Wilmington Lowell Owner for $90,000,000 on 04/18/24

8-A Parker St was sold to Mclintock Re Holdings LLC by Tello Daniel C Est and Tello, Melissa N for $420,000 on 04/19/24

15 Webber St was sold to Santiago-Gonzalez, Juan A and Fuentes, Larimar by Onessimo, Michael P and Onessimo, Maureen A for $812,500 on 04/18/24

5 Englewood Dr was sold to Delorey, Samantha J and Roach, Andrew J by Klindt 3rd, William L and Robie-Klindt, Samantha J for $756,000 on 04/25/24

12 Forest St was sold to Boyd, Adam and Boyd, Kristen by P&g Realty TIi and Peterson, Robert G for $884,000 on 04/26/24

13 Kenwood Ave was sold to Mercuri, Raymond P by Mercuri Lena M Est and Mercuri, Raymond J for $600,000 on 04/26/24

WINCHESTER

132 Cambridge St was sold to Oreper, Jeremy M and Matsko, Anne K by New England Hm Buyers LL for $1,275,000 on 04/18/24

32 Grayson Rd was sold to Wang, Xinting and Lou, Xingyin by Allen, Samuel H and Allen, Rebecca L for $1,470,000 on 04/19/24

16 Johnson Rd was sold to Brodek, Bryan H and Psachoulia, Konstantina by Baynes, Brian W and Baynes, Jane S for $1,420,000 on 04/17/24

94 Johnson Rd was sold to Hannon, Robert C by Herlihy 2016 RET and Herlihy, Glenn for $1,400,000 on 04/19/24

61 Lake St was sold to Panka, Joshua by Fitzgerald, Richard B and Fitzgerald, Kathleen M for $1,070,000 on 04/16/24

34 Edward Dr #34 was sold to Nunes, Rogerio P and Stefanini, Mariana A by Kenney-Vaill, Linda for $950,000 on 04/23/24

23 Lawson Rd was sold to Brodsky, Richard C and Kampman, Wendy A by 23 Lawson LLC for $3,225,000 on 04/22/24

6 Newton St was sold to Hall, Jennifer L by Hall, Kristina L for $380,000 on 04/24/24

33 Sargent Rd was sold to Gould, Sarah and Gould, Robert by Lyu, Xueguang and Zhao, Xu for $1,855,000 on 04/23/24

7 Wainwright Rd #84 was sold to Cooper, Elizabeth and Fiske, John by Mcindoe, Robert A and Mcindoe, Margaret T for $1,267,500 on 04/26/24

21 Westland Ave was sold to Marotta, Matthew and Marotta, Elizabeth by Walendin, Christopher and Walendin, Margaret for $1,725,000 on 04/25/24

WOBURN

27 Arlington Rd #4 was sold to Skerry Jr, Thomas J and Doyle, Christina by Aiello, Leanne M for $450,000 on 04/16/24

22 Bernard Rd was sold to Jackson, James A and Jackson, Michelle by D J & Jeannine Agresti T and Agresti, Dennis J for $835,000 on 04/19/24

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(11 YRS.)	Voted Best Customer Service **Hartshorne & Curley Insurance Agency** (781-245-0033) • CurleyIns.com	35 Albion St. Wakefield
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(9 YRS.)	Voted Best Roast Beef **Kipos Roast Beef** (781-246-1161)	117 Water St. Wakefield
(8 YRS.)	Voted Best Roofing Company **Duval Roofing, LLC** (978-664-2557) • DuvalRoofing.com	Serving The Area
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(2 YRS.)	Voted Best Waxing Service **The Wax Room** (978-289-0636) • WaxRoomInc.com	36 Woburn St. #10 Reading
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Tewksbury Police Log

Two arrested after threatening to kill Lowell man

Monday, May 6

11:27 a.m. - Employee at Market Basket South reported a 10-year old female customer approached him and said someone was following her and that she was afraid to walk home. Police sent. They escorted the juvenile home. They were at the Market Basket reviewing video.

12:43 p.m. - Caller reported his neighbor was trying to open his front door at Apache Way. Police sent. It was an error; the neighbor went to the wrong door.

2:20 p.m. - A 911 caller for a possible scam call after trying to call an escort at Motel 6. Caller reported he received a disturbing message from an unknown number, possibly threatening him. Police sent. They assisted the male with blocking the phone number. The caller would not be attempting to contact escorts anymore.

7:47 p.m. - A 911 caller reported a tall/thin black male wearing a navy blue polo and jeans refusing to pay the bill and being argumentative at Jade East. Police sent. The staff refused to serve the male and he became upset but left prior to officer's arrival.

Tuesday, May 7

10:30 a.m. - Call for a suspicious brown car with the window down parked and in front of the Little Explorers Family Daycare. Police sent. They spoke with the operator, he was a real estate agent for a residence on Valley Road. They were going to be operating a drone for photographing his listing.

1:14 p.m. - Caller looking to report damage to the air conditioner unit for the building at Main Street Pizza. Police sent. Officer filed a report.

3:50 p.m. - Caller reported he saw a female party drinking approximately three nips in the drivers seat and then she took off at Tewksbury Family Health. Last seen going into the Walgreens parking lot. Police sent. They spoke with the caller who was unable to confirm that the operator was drinking alcohol, just that she was sipping from a bottle and felt the need to call. Vehicle was gone on arrival.

Wednesday, May 8

4:32 a.m. - Surveillance company stating there were unauthorized pickup of tires from Atamian Honda. Red pickup truck with lettering on the sides that displays the words "pro" and "services" with another word that couldn't be made out on the camera. Caller stated the vehicle left across the street toward the Motel 6 parking lot. Police sent. Keyholder reported he would check into the incident when he came in for his shift. But there should be no pickups while the business was closed. Nothing was found in the area. Officer filed a report.

12:58 p.m. - Caller reported suspicious vehicle at Mitchell G Drive. Small older model white sedan already left the area in an unknown direction. Police sent and checked the area.

2:41 p.m. - A 911 caller reported his landlord committed breaking and entering and robbery at Pinewood Road. Police sent. Verbal argument between landlord and tenant. Officer filed a report.

Thursday, May 9

1:15 a.m. - A 911 caller reported car sitting in the middle of the road and appeared to be an accident at Andover Street and Greenmeadow Drive. Police and ambulance sent. Judellies Pichardo, 26, of 82 Walker St. in Lowell, was arrested and charged with OUI liquor, negligent operation of motor vehicle, and marked lanes violation.

10:54 a.m. - Caller reported she received a phone call from someone who was impersonating a Tewksbury Police Officer. Police spoke to the caller.

1:22 p.m. - Police out with a male party at Motel 6. Gary Massi, 64, of 26 Swan St. in Lawrence, was arrested and charged with possess class A drugs, possess class B drugs, and a warrant for possession class A and B drugs.

8:09 p.m. - Caller reported two males arguing at CVS south. Police sent. Fire department sent to assist with fluid in the roadway. Police stated argument that occurred after a motor vehicle accident. Officer filed a report.

Friday, May 10

12:57 am - Front desk worker reported two individuals walked into the lobby at Motel 6, one of them reporting his sister was in a room with a male party being held against her will. Police sent. Ping was canceled. Officer filed a report.

1 p.m. - Front desk at Motel 6 requested officer to assist in removing a party from the property. Police sent. They confirmed those parties were paying for another week.

7:35 p.m. - Caller reported an intoxicated party got into his vehicle and started it at Jade East. Operator had not left the parking lot yet. Police sent. James Gianoulis, 57, of 141 Mesmith St. in Lowell, was arrested and charged with OUI liquor and unlicensed operation of motor vehicle.

8:05 p.m. - A 911 call from an employee for an unwanted female who was asked to leave but won't at Care Well Urgent Care. Police sent. Officer filed a report.

Saturday, May 11

3:58 a.m. - A 911 caller reported eight people physically fighting outside his room at Marriott Residence Inn. Caller did not know these people. Police sent. Officer filed a report.

7:38 a.m. - A 911 caller reported he receieved a FaceTime call from a party who lived in Lowell showing guns threatening to come and kill him at Archstone Avenue. Police sent. Jose Pichardo, 27, of 58 Second St. in Dracut, was arrested and charged with conspiracy, assault with dangerous weapon, possess firearm in felony, armed assault to rob, carry without license firearm, possess ammunition without fid card, extortion by threat of injury, and threat to commit crime to wit murder. Sheldon Marryshow, 22, of 13 Colonial Road in Hempstead, New York, carry without license firearm, possess ammunition without fid card, conspiracy, armed assault to rob, lost/found property, and possess firearm in felony.

4:01 p.m. - A 911 call for a juvenile who had his drink and sub stolen by another juvenile at Papa Ginos South. Male suspect known to the victim, wearing a red t-shirt last seen on a light blue BMX bicycle. Police sent. Juvenile, 13, was arrested and charged with larceny from person, threat to commit crime to wit assault and battery, disorderly conduct, and resist arrest.

Sunday, May 12

12:24 a.m. - Caller reported a noise complaint at Brentwood Road, loud music and yelling. Police sent. They confirmed just kids having a fire. They would keep it down.

5:16 p.m. - Received call reported a male party harassing and stalking a female party at Jade East. She was currently inside of Jade East hiding from male party. Male party showed an active warrant. Police sent. David Gagnon, 52, of 18 Sylvain St. in Rochester, New Hampshire, was arrested and charged with OUI liquor, negligent operation of motor vehicle, warrant of failure to register, assault, stalking, and malicious damage to motor vehicle.

Wilmington Police Log

Two women arrested for OUI Liquor

Friday, May 3:

3:27 p.m.: James A McCollum of 176 Barker Ave., Apt. #2, in Lowell, was issued a summons for unlicensed operation of a motor vehicle. This followed his involvement in a motor vehicle accident between a gray 2019 Chevy Silverado and a red 2003 Jeep Liberty near the Citgo Gas Station on Middlesex Avenue. No one was injured in the accident.

5:59 p.m.: A caller on Grove Avenue reported that a woman and her daughter on Park Avenue are threatening her with violence over a dispute involving taking down a shared fence. Peace was restored, and both parties were advised that this is a civil matter.

11:11 p.m.: A caller on Main Street reported hearing approximately four or five gunshots in the area. It was discovered that, in fact, the sound was that of youths lighting fireworks, with the remnants of the fireworks being found and extinguished behind Jimmy's Garage on Main Street.

Saturday, May 4:

7:28 p.m.: Pulled over a brown 2011 Honda CR-V and a black 2014 Toyota Land Cruiser due to a possible road rage incident. Peace was restored and both drivers were sent on their way.

9:38 p.m.: A vehicle was found in the woods near April Field Town Park on Main Street. The operator was told they were trespassing on town property and sent on their way. Around the same time, a group of people were seen in the woods, but police were unable to locate them.

Sunday, May 5:

4:12 a.m.: A man wearing black shorts, a black sweatshirt, and with a black Adidas bag was seen near the Firestone on Main Street, seemingly attempting to hitchhike. It was discovered that this was not the case, and he was actually out stretching after an argument with his mother.

7:25 a.m.: A gray 2019 Toyota Tacoma was stolen from a residence on Fay Street sometime after 11:30 p.m. the day before. Tewksbury Police reported they saw the vehicle on Pawtucket Blvd around 4:55 a.m., while Lowell Police reported running the stolen vehicle's plate at 6:18 a.m. as a suspect vehicle in a shoplifting case at a CVS there. Police contacted the CVS in Lowell to request camera footage.

4:08 p.m.: A white 2017 Jeep Cherokee, a red 2012 Toyota Yaris, and a gray 2008 Honda Civic were involved in a three-car motor vehicle accident on Main Street and Church Street. No airbags were deployed, and no one was injured.

Monday, May 6:

1:23 a.m.: Alivia Marie Steen of 968 East St., in Tewksbury, was arrested for OUI-Liquor over .08%, negligent operation of a motor vehicle, and a marked lanes violation. This followed a stop of her black 2016 Lincoln MKZ near the As Good As It Gets on Lowell Street.

8:39 a.m.: A caller on Lee Street reported that his wallet had been stolen the Saturday before, with his credit cards used in New Hampshire, while his air tag was pinging at 20 Jacobs Street.

3:27 p.m.: A white 2023 Subaru Crosstrek was involved in an accident with a child riding their bike near Elia's Country Store on Middlesex Avenue. The parent of the child arrived on scene and declined medical treatment for the child.

Tuesday, May 7:

11:56 a.m.: A gray 2019 Nissan Rogue was involved in a motor vehicle accident with a motorcycle near the North Intermediate School on Salem Street. No injuries were reported.

9:19 p.m.: A caller at St. Dorothy's Church on Main Street reported a man stealing items from a donation bin. When police caught up to the man, it was discovered that he had simply taken a folding chair outside of the bin to give to the elderly, and no clothing or items had been taken from the donation bin.

Wednesday, May 8:

5:48 a.m.: Jarol M Gonzalez of 8 Odile Ct., in Lawrence, was issued a summons for operating an uninsured motor vehicle, operating an unregistered motor vehicle, and speeding violation of special regulations. This followed a stop of his yellow 2005 Honda Accord on Lowell Street.

2:55 p.m.: Lindsey A Varney of 706 Neck Road, in China, ME, was arrested for OUI-Liquor over .08% and negligent operation of a motor vehicle. This followed a motor vehicle accident between her black 2023 Jeep Wrangler and a gray 2020 Toyota 4Runner near the Savers on Main Street, where she was being uncooperative with the other driver. No one was injured in the accident.

5:14 p.m.: A gray 2013 Volkswagen Passat and a black 2017 Chevy Impala were involved in a motor vehicle accident on West Street and Industrial Way. Airbags were deployed, and one party was complaining of back and leg pain. The other party involved also called later, saying he believes he hit his head on his windshield.

Thursday, May 9:

6:57 a.m.: Walefe Goncalves Da Silva of 941 Main St., Apt. #1, in Clinton, was issued a summons for operating a motor vehicle with a suspended license and failure to wear a seatbelt. This followed a stop of his white 2013 Dodge Avenger on Middlesex Avenue.

12:58 p.m.: A caller on Gowing Road requested an officer, stating a resident is refusing to pay for landscaping. There was a disagreement between work done that week and the week prior, and both parties agreed to terminate the service agreement.

6:48 p.m.: A black 2018 Hyundai Kona rear-ended a gray 2021 Honda CR-V in traffic on Lowell Street and West Street. No injuries were reported, and insurance information was exchanged.

Quick inducted into The Honor Society of Phi Kappa Phi

BATON ROUGE, LA — **Jordan Quick** of **Wilmington**, was recently initiated into The Honor Society of Phi Kappa Phi, the nation's oldest and most selective all-discipline collegiate honor society. Quick was initiated at Syracuse University.

Quick is among approximately 25,000 students, faculty, professional staff and alumni to be initiated into Phi Kappa Phi each year. Membership is by invitation only and requires nomination and approval by a chapter. Only the top 10 percent of seniors and 7.5 percent of juniors are eligible for membership. Graduate students in the top 10 percent of the number of candidates for graduate degrees may also qualify, as do faculty, professional staff and alumni who have achieved scholarly distinction.

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Kane participates in international conference

EASTON — Joining 23 other students from Stonehill College's DECA chapter, **Hayden Kane**, a member of the Class of 2025 from **Wilmington**, recently participated in the International Career Development Conference in Austin, Texas. Stonehill students faced off against more than 200 schools in competitive case study events designed to prepare them to become leaders and entrepreneurs.

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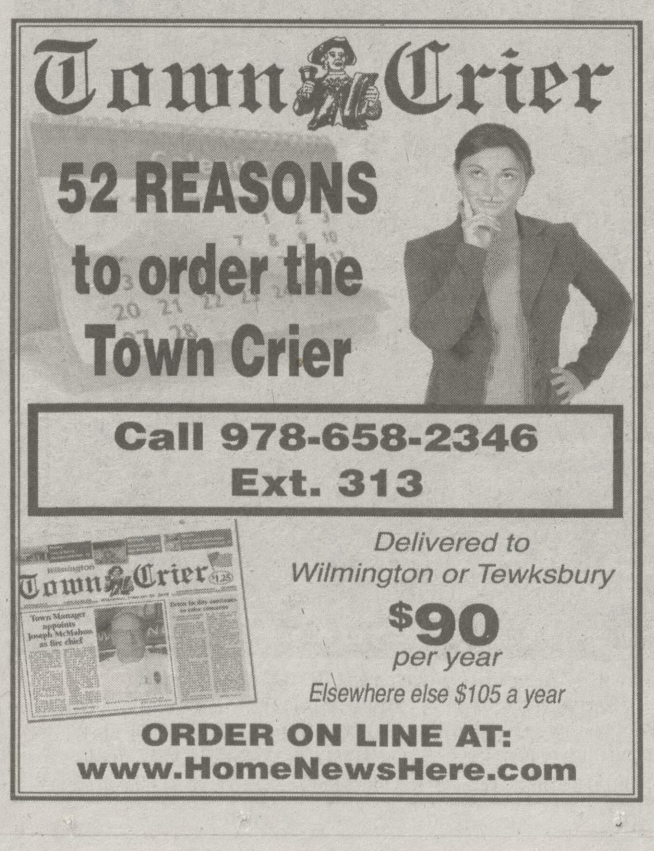

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◀ Olivia Raposa smiles after evading a foul ball off the bat of teammate Eva Boudreau. Raposa scored the tying run in Saturday's game in Wakefield.

▼ Julia Archer (left) and Lily MacKenzie walk back to the dugout on Saturday.

(Photos by Doug Hastings)

Softball drops a thriller in Wakefield

McCarthy's late home run almost leads WHS to victory

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There's something about this field.

Last year in the state tournament, the Wakefield High softball team eliminated Wilmington in the first round of the Div. 2 playoffs in a wild 12-11 game.

On Saturday, on the same field, it was another wild one between these two squads.

After a two-run home run in the top of the seventh gave the Wildcats a 3-2 lead over the Warriors, Wakefield answered with two runs of its own in the bottom of the frame to end its Senior Day game in thrilling fashion, a 4-3 walk-off victory.

While the loss wasn't an easy pill to swallow for the 'Cats, Wilmington is still in the midst of a solid season.

After the game, WHS entered the week with a 10-5 overall record heading into Tuesday's showdown with Burlington.

The loss ended a winning streak that saw Wilmington beat Melrose, Watertown and Lowell Catholic.

Down 2-1 against Wakefield, Wilmington started the seventh when Olivia Raposa was hit by a pitch. It was a funny day for the Wildcat catcher, who was hit by a pitch twice and nearly got plunked by a line drive foul ball off the bat of teammate Eva Boudreau.

Raposa didn't stay at first base for long as Erin McCarthy hammered a home run over the fence in left field to put Wilmington in the lead.

In the bottom of the seventh, an infield hit and a walk were followed by a run-scoring single to tie the game. With one out, a fly ball was misplayed, scoring the winning run for the Warriors.

Wilmington's offense was busy all day.

In fact, WHS had two baserunners in each of the first five innings and came up empty each time.

In the sixth, the Wildcats finally scored when Julia Archer was hit by a pitch and went all the way home when Kierstin Moore's nice sacrifice bunt resulted in an out at first, but Wakefield made an error trying to get Archer out at third base.

With two outs, Lily Mac Kenzie reached on an error and nearly scored, but Boudreau's hard liner to second was caught.

Wilmington had chances in every inning.

In the first, MacKenzie reached on an infield hit and Boudreau reached on an error with one out.

With two outs, McCarthy ripped a line drive to right that was caught.

In the second, an infield hit by Charlotte Forcina and Summer Sands reaching on an error put two runners on with two outs before Ali McElligott's hard liner to first was caught.

MacKenzie and Boudreau led off the third with singles, but three straight strikeouts got the Warriors out of trouble in that frame.

In the fourth, Forcina led off with a base hit and McElligott walked with two outs, but MacKenzie grounded out to short to end the threat.

The fifth saw Boudreau lead off with a deep fly out to center before Raposa was hit by a pitch and Sofia Tentindo walked with two outs, but a strikeout ended that threat.

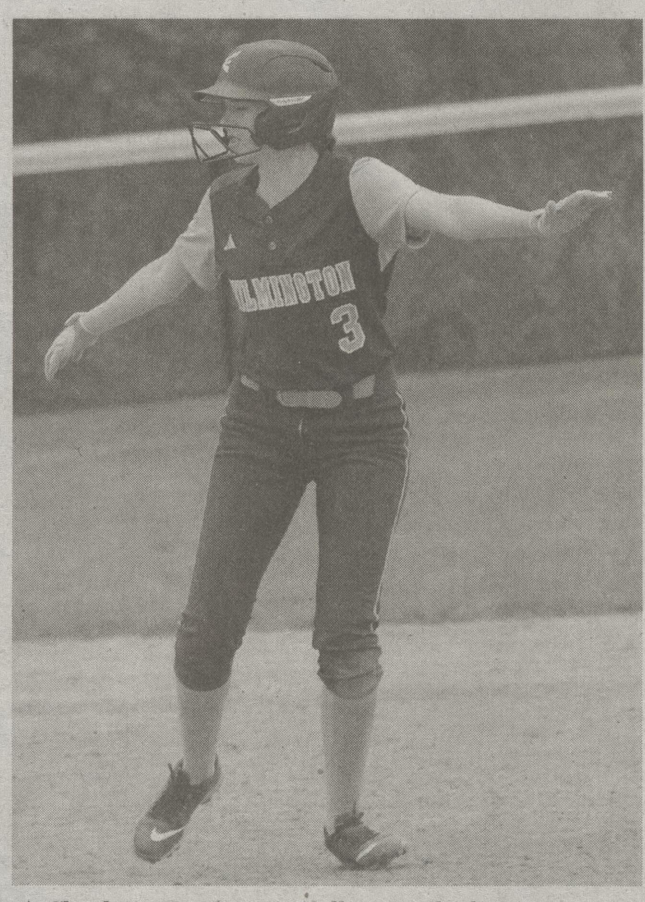
Wilmington's defense played well.

Tentindo made a great catch in right field in the first inning and MacKenzie ended the third with a nice play on a grounder to second.

Forcina ended the fourth and fifth innings with terrific grabs in center field.

McElligott (third) and McCarthy (shortstop) also made nice plays in the infield.

Pitcher Isabella Maiella had a solid game in the circle for Wilmington, striking out six and walking four in a complete-game effort.



▲ Charlotte Forcina carefully runs the bases.

◀ Isabella Maiella talks to teammates on Saturday.

(Photos by Doug Hastings)

Baseball sneaks past Watertown

Gabaree's pitching helps WHS earn walk-off win

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The Wilmington High baseball team bounced back from a 12-2 loss against Wakefield with two outstanding efforts in action against Watertown and Melrose.

WHS defeated Watertown by a 2-1 score, but was edged by Melrose, 1-0.

The Wildcats are 8-6 overall with six games left to go in the regular season.

Against Watertown, Wilmington scored the winning run in the bottom of the seventh inning on a sacrifice fly by Ayden Balter.

Kyle Gabaree pitched another strong game for WHS. He scattered four hits over seven innings, striking out two and walking two.

Freshman Theo Bryson and Noah Spencer collected two hits each for Wilmington.

Austin Harper had the other RBI for the Wildcats.

Eric Spinney had a hit and drew a walk while Michael Dinan and Jacob Doherty both drew two walks. Doherty scored one of Wilmington's runs.

In the Melrose game, Balter threw five outstanding innings on the mound, allowing just two hits while striking out 10 and walking three. Spencer pitched the sixth.

The 'Cats were limited to three singles. Connor Lovell went 2 for 3 and Spencer had the other hit for Wilmington.

Spinney and Brian Banks drew walks.

▲ Jon Mehr keeps an eye on a Burlington player. (Joe Brown photo)

Boys lacrosse making a playoff push

Wildcats have come on strong to close out regular season

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Despite skidding through a three-game losing streak last week, the Wilmington High boys lacrosse team still has its eyes set on the playoff hunt.

Currently positioned at No. 22 in the Div. 3 field, the Wildcats are still very much alive in terms of their postseason goals.

"We're in must-win mode," said Wilmington coach John Fortes. "We got to win out the rest of the season. A win against a good team like Pentucket would do a lot for us."

Coming into last week, the 'Cats were riding the high of a four-game win streak.

Wins over the likes of Stoneham, Watertown, Woburn, and Bedford has Wilmington red hot.

However, they got away from some of those tendencies last week in defeats to Reading, Melrose, and Burlington.

"We had a couple really big wins in there and that was huge for us," said Fortes. "We kind of stopped focusing on what got us there and started focusing on being the tougher team and doing the little things right. We struggled with the little things the past few games like throwing and catching, ground balls, shooting when we have good looks, stuff like that."

Even after receiving a tough 19-2 blow against a talented Burlington team on Monday, Fortes is still confident of his team's chances to close out the season. Charlie Rooney and Michael Lawler found the back of the net in the loss.

"We talked to the kids after the game to put these past few games behind us, and let's move on to the next chunk," the coach said. "Let's try to pull out three wins this week and get one next week and see where we fall."

Wilmington looks to do just that with three instrumental contests this week, two of which are special theme nights.

On Friday, Wilmington will duel Wakefield in the "One Love Game," highlighting a foundation focusing on domestic violence and encouraging student-athletes to partake in healthy relationships on and off the field.

On Saturday, the 'Cats will debut their camo jerseys for the first responders/military appreciation game against Brookline. A pregame ceremony will honor any local first responders, military personnel, or veterans before the 12 p.m. start.

"We want to spread awareness for these things and show appreciation for the community in general," said Fortes.

▲ Max Bagtaz plays defense for the 'Cats against Burlington. (Joe Brown photo)

▲ Luke DeProfio leaps to make a save for Wilmington. (Joe Brown photo)

▶ Luca Cudia makes a move for WHS. (Joe Brown photo)

Wilmington girls tennis has a good week

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The Wilmington High girls tennis team continues to enjoy a solid season on the courts.

On Monday, the Wildcats battled Waltham to a rare 2-2 tie in non-league action.

The team score was tied at 2-2 when a long first singles match with Wilmington's Savannah Beatrice could not be finished in time.

After the players split 7-5 sets, the third set was tied at 3-3 when the match was halted at Brandeis University in Waltham.

The match was tight throughout the lineup.

Jaslene Ryou won 7-6, 6-4 at second singles and the No. 1 doubles team of Sophia LaVita and Madison Benoit pulled out a dramatic 4-6, 7-5, 6-4 comeback win at first doubles.

Waltham won at third singles and second doubles.

At No. 3 singles, Wilmington's starter was Shubhangi Tripathi while Maria Cummings and Alison D'Arco played No. 2 doubles for the 'Cats.

Before Waltham, Wilmington swept Melrose, 5-0.

The Wildcats won two exciting doubles matches and took all three singles contests in straight sets.

Beatrice won 6-4, 6-2 at first singles, Ryou was a 6-1, 6-2 winner at two and D'Arco won her match at third singles, 6-1, 6-2.

LaVita and Benoit won another terrific match at first doubles, showing toughness by rallying for another comeback win, 5-7, 6-3, 6-4.

At second doubles, Maria Cummings and Veronika Loshak won a good battle, 6-3, 2-6, 6-2.

Girls lacrosse still pushing

Wildcats still improving as season winds down

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The Wilmington High girls lacrosse team may be out of playoff contention with a 1-15 record and four games left on the docket.

But that doesn't mean the season is over for coach Chris Frissore and his team.

"The message is let's finish strong," said the coach. "The season's not over."

For that to happen, the Wildcats hope to piece together stronger starts in the first quarter.

Slow starts have been a problem this spring — which was evident in their 20-8 defeat to Melrose on Friday.

The Wildcats eyed an 8-2 deficit following the opening 12 minutes of play. From there, the Melrose lead was too big to chase.

Leah Murphy scored a hat trick in the loss as Jill Collins (two), Gabby Kulevich (two) and Maddie Sainato (one) found the back of the net.

While Wilmington suffered an 18-2 loss to Burlington on Monday, it was actually one of the better starts the 'Cats have put forth this season.

The Red Devils led 4-2 after the first quarter, but Wilmington was keeping up with the perennial power under the lights.

"Today was the best first quarter we played in a while," Frissore said. "The girls were ready to go, it was almost like playing a night game kind of got them going a little bit."

Abby Driscoll excelled between the pipes, making a staggering 20 saves to give Wilmington a fighting chance.

Murphy netted Wilmington's two scores.

"We played pretty good for a while, and then they kind of ran away with it," said Frissore. "They just do everything well. They catch the ball really well and their passes are to their sticks. That opens up a lot of opportunities for them."

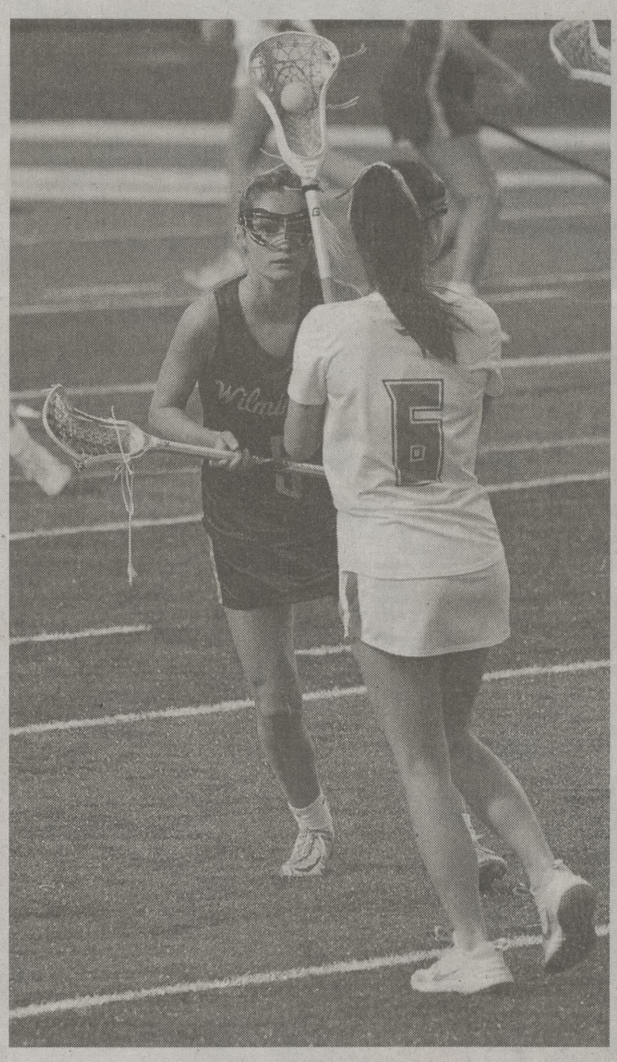
However, the Wildcats aren't shying away from their remaining opponents this spring.

Wilmington plays Wakefield (Friday), Stoneham (Saturday), and Belmont (Monday).

"We played Wakefield tough the first time we played them," Frissore said. "It was one of those games where we didn't show up in the first quarter. We need to come ready to play and hopefully they can use today's first half as an example. I think we can win the game."

▶ Cate MacDonald competes for a ball against Burlington.
(Joe Brown photo)

▼ Hailey Spencer defends a Burlington player.
(Joe Brown photo)



▲ Jill Collins keeps an eye on a Burlington player.
(Joe Brown photo)

▶ Ariana Cook clears the ball for the Wildcats.
(Joe Brown photo)

Shawsheen Tech Roundup:

Girls lacrosse gives Tewksbury a test

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It wasn't a win, but the Shawsheen Tech girls lacrosse team sure did make a statement in its rematch with Tewksbury.

After losing by a lopsided score in the first game between the two teams, the Redmen came back and nearly won, falling 9-6 to a tournament-bound TMHS team.

Mia Vacha had a solid game in goal for the Rams, making 17 saves, while Jude Sloman and Cera Salter helped lead the offense with two goals each.

Izzy Ferguson and Riley Rourke also chipped in with a goal apiece.

Before Tewksbury, Shawsheen beat Mystic Valley, 11-7.

Rourke and Sloman led the way the Rams with four goals each while Salter, Izzy Ferguson and Alexis Fox all added tallies.

Vacha and Ariana Fasulo split the win in goal.

Last Tuesday, Shawsheen lost to another Merrimack Valley Conference team, Dracut, in a tight battle, 6-4.

Fiona Rexford and Salter had two goals each for the

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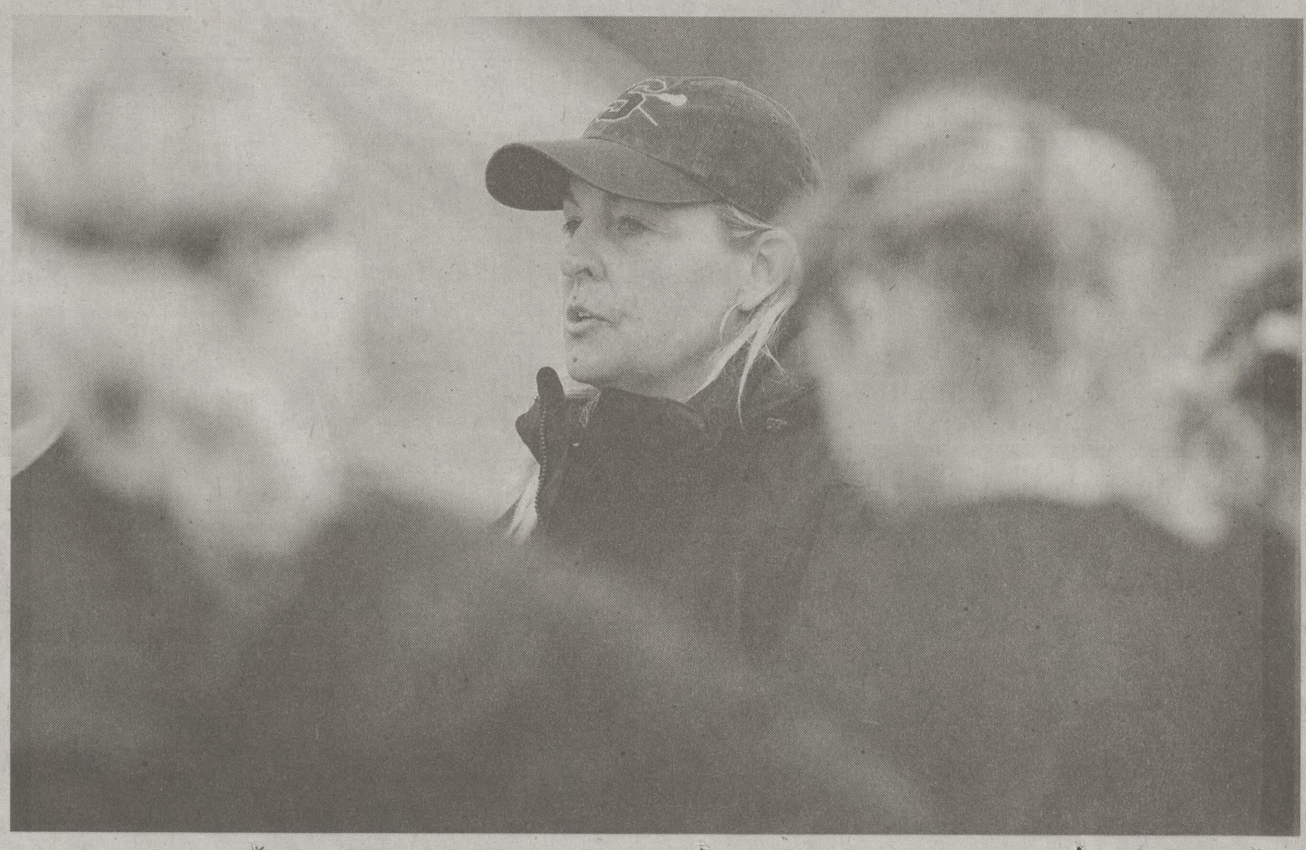

▶ Shawsheen Tech's Varsity Girls Lacrosse coach Maggie Moro talks to her team during halftime in Shawsheen's game in Dracut.
(James Thomas Photography)

Shawsheen baseball remains perfect in league play

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Rams and Vacha made seven saves.

Shawsheen kept the game close behind the defense of Fox and Natalia Pitta.

BASEBALL

The Shawsheen Tech baseball team won its ninth straight game and improved to 12-2 overall with a 12-3 win over Lowell Catholic last week.

The Rams remain undefeated in Commonwealth Athletic Conference play.

Shawsheen put nine runs on the board in the first inning to power the win.

The top of the order was stellar for Shawsheen. The top three hitters (Lukas Poirier, Robbie Welch, and Nate Galanis) all had a tremendous day at the plate. Collectively, the trio had six hits, eight runs, and six RBIs.

Lukas Poirier and Brendan Lee did the pitching and scattered seven hits, and only allowed one earned run between the two of them.

Standouts at the plate included Poirier (2 hits, 3 runs), Welch (2 hits, 3 runs, 2 RBIs), Galanis (2 hits, 2 runs, 4 RBIs), Lee (3 RBIs) and Will Holloway (2 hits, RBI).

▶ Shawsheen Tech's Riley Rourke (right) is congratulated by teammate Judith Sloman after scoring a goal in the third quarter against Dracut.

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Shawsheen Tech's Fiona Rexford tries to maneuver around Dracut's Emily Feeney.

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